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Journal of the Louisiana Conference

FIRST DAY-WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 1915.

Convening.—The Louisiana Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, convened in its seventieth annual session at 9 a.m., Wednesday, November 17, 1915, in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Mansfield, Louisiana, Bishop James Atkins in the chair.

Opening Service.—The opening service was conducted by the Bishop and consisted of the singing of Hymn 560, "And are we yet alive and see each other's face?" Repeating the Apostle's creed, prayer, the reading of Luke 10:17fl., singing Hymn 334—

"My faith looks up to thee, Thou Lamb of Calvary,"

and address by the Bishop.

Calling the Roll.—The roll was called by the Secretary of the preceding session and the following members, probationers and lay delegates answered to their names:

Clerical-R. A. Davis, Robert Randle, J. M. Brown, R. S. Isbell, J. D. Harper, J. A. Parker, J. L. P. Sheppard, S. J. Davies, D. C. Barr, H. J. Boltz, J. O. Bennett, H. Armstrong, F. N. Parker, J. I. Hoffpauir, H. S. Johns, H. W. May, F. S. Parker, W. F. Henderson, W. J. Porter, J. B. Williams, J. F. Foster, J. J. Kelly, C. F. Staples, William Schuhle, W. W. Drake, J. M. Henry, B. T. Crews, B. H. Sheppard, R. W. Tucker, P. M. Brown, R. H. Wynn, J. W. Lee, C. C. Miller, R. W. Vaughan, Thomas Carter, C. C. Weir, P. O. Lowry, K. W. Dodson, A. J. Coburn, G. D. Purcell, Martin Hebert, W. R. Harvell, Briscoe Carter, C. D. Atkinson, H. N. Brown, J. G. Sloan, J. R. Roy, L. C. Wilson, H. W. Bowman, E. L. Cargill, W. D. Kleinschmidt, L. N. Hoffpauir, S. D. Howard, S. L. Riggs, W. H. Coleman, J. D. Nesom, P. H. Fontaine, J. L. Sutton, F. M. Freeman, W. W. Holmes, A. G. Shankle, A. F. Vaughan, A. S. Lutz, H. T. Carley, A. I. Townsley, H. N. Harrison, J. W. Booth, T. J. Holladay, J. B. Fulton, R. H. Harper, W. L. Doss, Jr., I. T. Reames, H. W. Ledbetter, V. D. Skipper, J. C. Price, S. S. Holladay, C. B. Powell. A. J. Bonnett. C. V. Breithaupt, F. J. McCoy, C. A. Battle, W. E. Akin, A. J. Gearheard, S. H. Werlein, J. A. McCormick, R. S. Walton, T. V. Peters, J. G. Snelling, H. T. Young, R. H. Bamburg, L. E. Crooks, H. B. Perritt, A. H. Parkett, G. A. Morgan, F. R. Power, H. B. Vanderburg. H. W. Cudd, J. C. Rousseaux, J. A. Alford, J. W. Faulk, F. R. Hill, Jr., G. D. Anders, T. H. Morris, T. D. Lipscomb, W. W. Perry, R. M. Brown, T. J. Embree, O. L. Tucker, J. H. Hoffpauir, W. T. Woodward, W. S. Henry, R. V. Fulton, Louis Hoffpauir, D. L. Griffin, S. D. Roberts, A. A. Bernard, G. S. Sexton, W. B. Perritt, W. A. Mangum, C. E. Fike, J. L. Cady, W. F. Roberts, H. B. Thomasson, J. L. Williams, T. I. Beck, G. V. Romano, S. W. B. Colvin.

On Trial-J. E. Craig, W. F. Henderson, Jr., T. L. Bryson, A. D. George, R. L. Gilmer, J. L. Evans.

Lay Delegates—Alexandria District, E. G. Wood; Baton Rouge District, H. C. Murphy, J. H. Millican; Lafayette District, M. C. Holt; Monroe District, R. O. Randle; New Orleans District, W. B. Thompson, C. O. Chalmers; Ruston District, J. L. Lay; Shreveport District, J. C. Foster.

Substitutions.—The following substitutions were made: On the New Orleans District, H. H. Ahrens in place of G. D. Shands; on the Shreveport District, S. H. Porter in place of T. F. Sledge; and their attendance noted.

Election of Secretaries.—F. S. Parker was elected Secretary and M. C. Holt and John F. Foster were elected Assistant Secretaries.

On nomination of the Secretary R. W. Vaughan was elected Statistical Secretary, and H. W. Cudd, C. V. Breithaupt, Thomas Carter, J. L. Williams, H. T. Young and G. A. Morgan, were elected Assistants to the Statistical Secretary.

Hours of Meeting and Adjournment.—On motion of T. H. Morris the hour of meeting was fixed at 9 a. m., and that of adjournment at 12 noon.

Bar of Conference.—On motion of T. H. Morris the auditorium was constituted the bar of the Conference.

Standing Committees.—Briscoe Carter for the Presiding Elders announced the following nominations for the standing committee:

Committee on Conference Relation—J. B. Williams, H. N. Brown, A. G. Shankle, W. D. Kleinschmidt, R. W. Tucker, J. G. Snelling, J. W. Lee.

Committee on Memoirs-C. C. Miller.

Committee cn Public Worship-W. H. Coleman, T. H. Morris, H. T. Liverman.

Committée on District Conference Record-J. C. Rousseaux, L. C. Wilson, W. W. Perry.

Committee on Church Publications—R. H. Harper, E. K. Means, A. J. Gearheard.

Committee on Sabbath Observance—George S. Sexton, C. D. Atkinson, W. E.

Thomas.

Committee on Temperance—S. H. Werlein, W. W. Drake, A. W. Turner, J. R. Abels, J. M. Alford, C. H. Henry.

Board of Lay Activities—W. S. Holmes, T. W. Holloman, J. R. Abels, H. G. Gilbert, R. O. Randle, W. M. Spinks, S. H. Porter, Van Carter.

Committee on Evangelism—J. G. Snelling, W. W. Drake, R. O. Randle, Van Carter, H. N. Brown.

Action on Corrections of Statistics rescinded.—R. W. Vaughan moved to rescind the action of the previous session with reference to revision of the statistics by the Presiding Elders. The motion prevailed.

Communication Referred.—Communications were received and referred as follows: From the Department of Ministerial Supply and Training to the Board of Education; from the Board of Church Extension to the Conference Board of Church Extension; from the Board of Trustees to the Joint Board of Finance; from the Publishing Agents to Committee on Books and Periodicals; from the Epworth League Board to the Conference Epworth League Board; from the Board of Missions to the Conference Board of Missions; from the Trustees of the Louisiana Methodist Orphanage to the Orphanage Board; from the Methodist Benevolent Association to the Joint Board of Finance; from Trustees of Centenary College to Conference Board of Education.

Address by Prof. Gilbert.—Rev. J. W. Gilbert, President of Miles Memorial College of the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church was introduced and addressed the Conference. An offering of cash \$84.00, subscriptions \$47.50—\$131.50 was made for Miles Memorial College and handed Prof. Gilbert.

Address by Mr. McKinney.—Rev. S. S. McKinney, representing the Representative Church to be erected in Washington, was introduced and addressed the Conference.

Committee on Representative Church.—On motion of J. M. Henry a committee of three was ordered to be appointed by the chair to consider and report on the matter of the Representative Church in Washington, D. C.

The following were appointed as the Committee: J. M. Henry, R. O. Randle and R. H. Harper.

Dr. Casper Wright introduced.—Rev. Dr. Casper Wright, of Dallas, Vice President of the Southern Methodist University, was presented and made a statement concerning the University.

Board of Education instructed to report on Southern Methodist University.—Communications concerning the Southern Methodist University were referred to the Board of Education, and, on motion of Briscoe Carter, the Board of Education was instructed to report on same to-morrow morning.

Concerning Church Papers.—Briscoe Carter presented a communication concern-

ing Church papers, which was referred to the Committee on Church Publications.

Communications Referred.—Communications were received and referred as follows: Two from the Treasurer of the Board of Missions to the Conference Board of Missions; from the Sunday School Board to the Conference Sunday School Board; from the American Sunday School Union to the Conference Sunday School Board; from T. S. Randle to the Joint Board of Finance; from M. G. Jenkins to the Joint Board of Finance; from A. D. Maddox to the Committee on Church Publications.

Ministerial Character.—Question 22 was called: Are all preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

The names of H. W. May, H. W. Bowman, J. I. Hoffpauir, Wm. Schuhle, W. W. Holmes, Briscoe Carter, and W. H. Coleman were called; they reported their districts, and their characters were passed.

The names of G. E. Cameron, R. S. Walton, C. M. Morris, T. I. Beck, J. M. Alford, E. L. Cargill, A. H. Parker, W. S. Henry, L. E. Crooks, R. Randle, C. M. Thompson, F. M. Freeman, A. S. J. Neill, J. W. Booth, P. M. Brown, B. H. Sheppard, G. A. Morgan, H. B. Perritt and P. H. Fontaine were called; they or their Presiding Elders reported their works, and their characters were passed.

Asbury Centenary.—A communication from the Commission of Federation with reference to the Asbury Centenary was read and, on motion of J. F. Foster, was ordered to be referred to a special committee of three to be appointed by the chair.

The following committee was appointed by the chair: F. S. Parker, P. M. Brown, and W. W. Drake.

Leave of Absence.—At his own request leave of absence was granted G. S. Sexton for to-morrow's session.

Transfers.—Question 6 was called: Who are received by transfers from other Conferences?

The Bishop announced the transfer of O. J. Chandler from the Kentucky Conference and N. E. Joyner from the Mexican Border Conference.

Credentials of W. L. Hunter surrendered.—The credentials of W. L. Hunter, local elder, were returned to the Conference.

Introductions.—Rev. H. H. McCain, of the Texas Conference, and Rev. O. L. Powers, pastor of the Mansfield Baptist Church, were introduced, and Brother McCain briefly addressed the Conference. Miss Mary E. Capers, of the Dallas Branch of the Publishing House, was introduced.

Adjournment.—The Conference adjourned by rule with doxology and benediction.

SECOND DAY

Convening.—Conference convened according to rule at 9 a.m., Bishop Atkins in the chair.

Devotional Service.—The opening devotional service was conducted by V. D. Skipper, and consisted of singing Hymn 19—

"Come thou Fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy praise,"

reciting the creed, prayer, the reading of Rom. V. and singing Hymn 291—"There is a fountain filled with blood."

Approval of Minutes.—The minutes of yesterlay's session were read and approved.

Attendance.—The names of those members and lay delegates who did not answer.

roll call yesterday were called and the following were found present:

Clerical—F. N. Parker, A. W. Turner, A. S. J. Neill, T. J. Warlick, E. K. Means,

J. F. Waltman, J. L. Sutton, J. S. Rutledge, C. M. Morris, J. W. Harper, Wm. J. Newsom, George Fox, W. E. Thomas, C. C. Weir.

On Trial-W. R. McPherson.

Lay Delegates—Baton Rouge District, J. R. Abels; Ruston District, S. M. Collins. On motion of F. S. Parker the further calling of the roll was dispensed with.

Discontinued.—Question 3 was called: Who are discontinued?

The name of R. L. Gilmer was called and his character passed. He was discontinued at his own request, made through his Presiding Elder.

The name of J. E. Craig was called: he reported his work and his character was passed. On motion of the Presiding Elder he was discontinued at his own request.

Ministerial Character.—Question 22 was called: Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

The names of J. F. Foster, J. B. Fulton, C. A. Battle, H. W. Cudd, and C. B. Powell were called, they reported their works, and their characters were passed.

The names of J. A. Parker, J. L. P. Sheppard, R. A. Davis, H. Armstrong, R. S. Isbell, J. F. Wynn, F. G. Hocutt, M. G. Jenkins, J. F. Patterson, T. S. Randle, J. H. Brown, J. T. Sawyer, and F. N. Sweeney were called; and after remarks by those present, and the reading of letters from M. G. Jenkins, T. S. Randle, and F. N. Sweeney their characters were passed, and they were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the superannuated relation.

The name of S. L. Riggs was called; he reported himself in good health; his character was passed and, there being no motion to refer, he became effective.

The names of John Sholars, S. J. Davies, J. B. Williams, J. A. McCormick, J. J. Kelly, J. D. Harper and H. S. Johns were called; they reported their works, and their characters were passed.

The name of J. W. Harper was called and on motion of H. W. Bowman, a committee of trial was ordered.

The names of P. O. Lowry, C. D. Atkinson, A. A. Bernard, A. F. Vaughan, J. D. Nesom, C. V. Breithaupt, J. H. Hoffpauir, F. J. McCoy, H. N. Harrison, H. N. Brown, K. W. Dodson, C. C. Weir, A. S. Lutz, A. J. Bonnet, M. Hebert, O. L. Tucker, J. F. Waltman, S. W. B. Colvin, R. H. Bamberg, A. J. Coburn, J. R. Roy, J. W. Lee, L. C. Wilson, C. C. Miller, G. D. Purcell, A. I. Townsley, W. T. Woodward, V. D. Skipper, George Fox, H. W. Ledbetter, D. C. Barr, T. J. Warlick, T. D. Lipscomb, T. V. Peters, R. M. Brown, W. W. Drake, W. L. Doss, Jr., F. R. Hill, S. H. Werlein, H. W. Jamieson, A. J. Gearheard, R. H. Harper, F. R. Hill, Jr., and W. E. Thomas, were called; they reported their works, and their characters were passed.

Deaths.—Question 21 was called. What preachers have died during the year?

The Presiding Elders reported that A. W. Hoffpauir, on trial in the class of the second year, had died during the year; and after eulogistic remarks by H. W. Bowman and J. J. Kelly, on motion of J. J. Kelly, an offering of \$83.30 for Sister Hoffpauir was made and handed H. W. Bowman for her.

Deacons of One Year.—Question 9 was called: Who are deacons of one year?

The name of W. A. Mangham was called and his character passed. Not having been before the committee of examination, he was continue in the class of the third year as a deacon of one year.

The name of C. E. Fike was called; he reported his work, and his character was passed; the committee of examination reporting favorably, he was advanced to the class of the fourth year.

The name of W. J. Newsom was called; he reported his work, and his character was passed. Not having passed the examination he was continued in the class of the fourth year.

Location.—Question 18 was called: Who are located this year?

E. C. Grice was located at his own request made in writing.

Board of Education.—Report No. 1 of the Board of Education was submitted and amended by inserting the preamble and resolutions therein referred to. After an address by Dr. Casper Wright the report as amended was adopted as follows:

REPORT No. 1 OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

THE EDUCATIONAL COMMISSION.

We desire to express our appreciation of the work of the Educational Commission as made known to us in the report of the Commission sent us by the Chairman, Bishop W. A. Candler. We share in the feeling of responsibility voiced in that report, which results from the great world situation as it affects the educational work of the colleges and universities of Europe and America, and would pledge ourselves and our people to loyal effort to discharge the obligations which are imposed upon us, and shall be increasingly ours in the coming years.

SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY.

We recommend to the Conference the adoption of the preamble and resolution contained in the paper presented to the Conference on behalf of the Educational Commission, which resolution is a part of the application on behalf of the Conferences named in the preamble, and of the Educational Commission, and of the Trustees of Southern Methodist University, to so amend the charter of the said University as to make it a Connectional University of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, owned and controlled by the General Conference of the Church.

AMENDMENT TO THE CHARTER OF SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY.

Whereas, a majority of the following named annual conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, to-wit: The North Texas Conference, The Northwest Texas Conference, The Central Texas Conference, The Texas Conference, The West Oklahoma, The German Mission Conference, The East Oklahoma Conference, The New Mexico Conference, The Missouri Conference, The Southwest Missouri Conference, The St. Louis Conference, The Little Rock Conference, The North Arkansas Conference, and the Louisiana Conference, did in their regular annual meetings held in the year 1915 adopt the following resolutions:

"Whereas, the Southern Methodist University is now controlled by the following named participating annual conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South: The North Texas Conference, The Northwest Texas Conference, The Central Texas Conference, The Texas Conference, The West Texas Conference, The German Mission Conference, The East Oklahoma Conference, The West Oklahoma Conference, The New Mex-

ico Conference, and The Missouri Conference; and

"Whereas, all the said Conferences have heretofore by appropriate action granted the power to the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, to confirm trustees of Southern Methodist University elected by the several participating an-

nual conferences of said church; and

"Whereas, it is deemed necessary and expedient for the purpose of making said institution connectional and in order to comply with the requirements prescribed by the General Conference and with the terms of the resolution adopted at its session held in 1914 creating the Educational Commission and providing for the establishment of an university west of the Mississippi River expressly to embody in the charter of Southern Methodist University the right and power on the part of the General Conference to either elect or confirm all trustees before they exercise any of the offices of a trustee; and

"Whereas, it is deemed expedient and desirable that a trustee or trustees should be elected from the territory embraced within the bounds of the Southwest Missouri Conference, The St. Louis Conference, The Little Rock Conference, The North Arkansas Conference, and The Louisiana Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South;

and

"Whereas, the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, acting by and through its Educational Commission, duly authorized and empowered to take over educational institutions already in existence, did in a regularly convened meeting of said Educational Commission held in Dallas, Texas, on the 26th day of August, A. D., 1915, approve and ratify said plan and recommend the proposed amendment of the charter of Southern Methodist University to the favorable consideration of all the

annual conferences of said church herein named, subject to the approval thereafter by said Commission of the list of trustees to be named before the aforesaid amended charter was filed with the Secretary of State of Texas; and

"Whereas, said proposed amendment to the charter of Southern Methodist University has been duly considered by this Annual Conference and its terms and provisions have been found acceptable, a form of said amended charter being submitted here-

with and expressly made a part hereof; and

"Whereas, it is the sense of this Conference that said proposed amendment to the charter of Southern Methodist University be authorized for the purpose of forever securing the ownership and control of said institution in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South:

"Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the trustees of Southern Methodist University be, and they are hereby, authorized, empowered, and directed, upon the adoption of similar resolutions by a majority of the annual conferences herein named, to procure an amendment to the charter of Southern Methodist University reciting in hace verba the provisions contained in the proposed form of amendment to said charter submitted with this resolution and adopted with this resolution by this Conference." And

were elected or confirmed by said Commission; and

Whereas, at a special meeting of the board of trustees of Southern Methodist University held at Dallas, Texas, on the......day of..........A. D., 191., at which a lawful quorum was present, said board of trustees by resolution duly adopted authorized the amendment of the present charter of Southern Methodist University so as to embody the actions taken by the several annual conferences hereinbefore named;

Now, therefore, the undersigned, being a majority of the board of trustees of Southern Methodist University, in compliance with the action of the annual conferences hereinbefore described and in compliance with said resolution of the Board of Trustees of Southern Methodist University have, on this......day of.........., A. D., 191.., amended the charter of Southern Methodist University to read as follows:

The State of Texas,

County of Dallas. Know all men by these Presents:

That the undersigned, being all resident citizens of the State of Texas, under and by virtue of the Laws of this State, do hereby voluntarily associate ourselves together for the purpose of forming a private corporation under the terms and conditions hereinafter set out, as follows:

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The name of this corporation shall be SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY.

The purpose for which this corporation is formed is the support of an educational undertaking, to-wit: the establishment, maintenance, and support of an institution for higher learning, including education and instruction in literary, scientific, theological, vocational, and professional branches, with authority to confer all college and university degrees, said educational institution to be forever owned, maintained, and controlled by the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

III.

The place where the business of the corporation is to be transacted is at Dallas, Dallas County, Texas, and its corporate domicile shall be located at such place.

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The term for which this corporation is to exist is fifty (50) years.

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This corporation has no capital stock and is not organized for the purpose of pecuniary gain or profit.

VI.

1. The Board of Trustees shall consist of twenty-five (25) members, of whom not less than eleven shall be residents of the State of Texas, not less than four shall be residents of the State of Oklahoma, not less than three shall be residents of the State of Missouri, not less than two shall be residents of the State of Arkansas, one shall be a resident of the State of Louisiana, and one shall be a resident within the territory

occupied by the New Mexico Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

2. The representatives upon said Board of Trustees elected by the General Conference and by the annual conferences hereinafter named of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, shall be as follows: Three trustees by the General Conference and two trustees from the territory embraced within the bounds of each of the following named annual conferences: The North Texas Conference, The Northwest Texas Conference, The Central Texas Conference, The Texas Conference, The West Texas Conference, The East Oklahoma Conference, and the West Oklahoma Conference; and one trustee from territory embraced within the bounds of each of the following named annual conferences: The German Mission Conference, The New Mexico Conference. The Missouri Conference, The Southwest Missouri Conference, The St. Louis Conference, The Little Rock Conference, The North Arkansas, and The Louisiana Conference.

3. All the annual conferences entitled to elect two trustees shall elect one clerical

and one lay trustees.

4. Trustees selected from the territory embraced within the bounds of the above named annual conferences shall be elected by the several annual conferences in such manner as such annual conference shall direct; provided, that no trustee so elected by any annual conference shall become a member of the Board of Trustees of Southern Methodist University or shall be qualified to sit, serve, or act as such until he shall have first been confirmed by the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, or by some agency appointed and authorized by said General Conference to confirm or reject said trustees; and provided further, that the Educational Commission shall act as such agency until the next meeting of the General Conference of said church.

5. The General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, shall elect three trustees, said three trustees to be elected upon the nomination of a committee composed of nine members, said nominating committee to be appointed by the Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, or by such other method as the General Conference may adopt; provided, that the Educational Commission of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, shall elect the aforesaid three trustees who shall serve as such until the

adjournment of the next General Conference.

- 6. If for any cause any one or more of the annual conferences entitled to elect trustees shall fail to elect such trustees, then the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, shall elect said trustee or trustees, but any trustee or trustees so elected by the General Conference shall reside within the territorial bounds of the annual conference so failing to elect. Trustees elected by the General Conference from territory embracd within the bounds of annual conferences failing to elect shall only hold office until such annual conference shall exercise the right to elect such trustee or trustees and until such trustee or trustees shall have been confirmed, whereupon he or they shall take the place of the trustee or trustees so elected by the General Conference.
- 7. Each trustee shall serve for a term of four years and until his successor shall be duly elected and confirmed, unless otherwise expressly provided herein; provided that the six trustees elected from the territory embraced within the bounds of the Missouri, Southwest Missouri, St. Louis, Little Rock, North Arkansas, and Louisiana Conferences shall be elected in the year 1915, and that the eight trustees elected from the territory embraced within the bounds of the North Texas Conference, Central Texas Conference, The East Oklahoma Conference, Central Texas Conference, and the West Oklahoma Conference shall be elected in the year 1917, and the three trustees from the church at large shall be elected by the General Conference at its session in 1918, and the eight trustees elected from the territory embraced within the bounds of the West Texas Conference, The Texas Conference, The Northwest Texas Conference, The German Mission Conference, and The New Mexico Conference shall be elected by the General Conference from territory embraced within the bounds of annual conferences failing to elect shall be superseded when such annual conferences shall elect trustees and upon confirmation thereof.
- 8. Any trustee may be removed for cause by the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, acting directly or by some agency appointed and authorized by it so to do.
- 9. All vacancies in the Board of Trustees prior to the meeting of the next General Conference occurring either by death, resignation, removal, failure of any conference to elect, failure of confirmation of any trustee, or otherwise, shall be filled by the Educational Commission of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and the trustee ap-

pointed to fill such vacancy shall serve until his successor is duly elected and confirmed. After the meeting of the next General Conference vacancies occurring in the Board of Trustees shall be filled as the General Conference may provide.

VII.

The Board of Trustees shall have authority to appoint an executive committee and other committees necessary and convenient for the conduct of the University's business and affairs.

VIII.

The qualifications of trustees shall be those fixed by the Discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, for trustees of its educational institutions.

The Board of Trustees may adopt by-laws not in conflict with law or the provisions of this charter or any law of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

When a trustee presented to the General Conference fails of confirmation, then the General Conference or its representative shall elect a trustee to fill the vacancy, who shall serve until his successor is duly elected and confirmed.

All authority herein conferred upon the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, shall, until the next meeting of said General Conference, be exercised by the Educational Commission of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

XII.

No amendment to this charter shall ever be made unless the same shall have been first affirmatively authorized and approved by the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, or by some authorized agency of said General Conference.

XIII.

Until the election of the trustees as hereinbefore provided in Paragraph VI, the following named persons shall constitute the Board of Trustees of Southern Methodist University:

From the territory embraced within the bounds of Ceneral Texas Conference. From the territory embraced within the bounds of West Texas Conference.

From the territory embraced within the bounds of Northwest Texas Conference.

From the territory embraced within the bounds of Texas Conference.

From the territory embraced within the bounds of North Texas Conference.

From the territory within the bounds of East Oklahoma Conference. From the territory within the bounds of West Oklahoma Conference. From the territory within the bounds of German Mission Conference.

From the territory within the bounds of New Mexico Conference.

From the territory within the bounds of Southwest Missouri Conference.

From the territory within the bounds of St. Louis Conference.

From the territory within the bounds of Little Rock Conference. From the territory within the bounds of North Arkansas Conference.

From the territory within the bounds of Louisiana Conference.

From the Church at Large.

We recommend the appointment of W. W. Drake as the member of the Board of Trustees from the Louisiana Conference.

J. M. HENRY, President. W WINANS DRAKE, Secretary.

Remaining on Trial.—Question 2 was called: Who remain on trial?

The name of J. L. Evans was called; he reported his work, and his character was passed. The Committee of Examination reporting favorably, he was advanced to the class of the second year.

The name of A. D. George was called; he reported his work and his character was passed. Not having passed the examination in the course of study, he was continued on trial in the class of the second year.

The name of F. E. Few was called and his character passed; not having passed the examination he was continued in the class of the first year.

Election of Traveling Elders.—Question 14 was called: What Traveling Preachers are elected elders?

The names of Louis Hoffpauir, Simeon Duncan Roberts, and Raleigh Verner Fulton were called; they reported their works and the Committee of Examination reporting favorably, their characters were passed, and they were elected to elders orders.

Election of Traveling Deacons.—Question 10 was called: What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

The name of Thomas Lyle Bryson was called; he reported his works, and his character was passed; the Committee of Examination reporting favorably, he was elected to deacon's orders and advanced to the class of the third year.

Adjournment.—Announcements were made and after singing Hymn No. 352, "Lord, in the strength of grace," Conference adjourned with the benediction by J. A. Parker.

THIRD DAY

Convening.—Conference convened according to rule at $9\ a.\ m.$, Bishop Atkins in the chair.

Devotional Service.—The devotional service was conducted by C. D. Atkinson and consisted of singing Hymn 2—

"Come thou almight King, Help us thy name to sing,"

prayer, reading Phil. 11, and singing Hymn 334-

"My faith looks up to thee, Thou Lamb of Calvary."

Approval of Minutes.—The minutes of the previous day's session were read and approved.

Attendance Noted.—The attendance of T. F. Calhoun and H. A. McKinnon, lay delegates from the Shreveport District, and W. L. Calhoun, lay delegate from the Monroe District, was announced.

New Orleans Depository.—The report of the Board of Trustees of the New Orleans Depository was read and adopted, and the matter of the Claim of the Board against the Publisher of the New Orleans Christian Advocate was referred to the Committee on Church Publications. (See Report in connection with report of Committee).

Sunday School Board Excused.—At the request of H. N. Brown the members of the Sunday School Board were excused for a meeting.

Appointments requested.—A motion was made by W. W. Drake that the Bishop be requested to appoint Thomas Carter and Henry Beach Carré professors in Vanderbilt University. The motion prevailed by a division of 92 for and 36 against.

Committee on Vanderbilt.—W. H. Coleman moved that a committee of three to five be appointed to express the attitude of the Louisiana Conference toward the question of the relation of Vanderbilt University to the Church, and the appointment of ministers as professors. The motion prevailed.

The following committee was appointed: R. W. Tucker, R. H. Harper, and C. C. Miller.

Ministerial Character.—Question 22 was called: Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

The names of J. S. Rutledge, J. L. Sutton, F. S. Parker, F. N. Parker, H. B. Carré, Thomas Carter, H. B. Thomasson, H. J. Boltz, T. J. Holladay, J. C. Price, J. L. Williams, B. T. Crews, W. R. Harvell, G. D. Anders, T. H. Morris, S. D. Howard, W. F. Henderson, H. T. Young, F. R. Power, R. W. Tucker, G. S. Sexton, L. N. Hoffpauir, I. T. Reames,

S. S. Holladay, J. C. Rousseaux, R. H. Wynn, H. T. Carley, A. W. Turner, E. K. Means, W. D. Kleinschmidt, W. J. Porter, W. E. Akin, J. G. Sloane, W. W. Perry, J. M. Brown, J. G. Snelling, J. O. Bennett, A. G. Shankle, T. J. Embree, H. B. Vandenberg, J. M. Henry, J. W. Faulk, S. S. Bogan, and R. W. Vaughan were called; they reported their works, and their characters were passed.

The name of G. P. White was called; his character was passed, and the Committee of Examination reporting favorably, he was graduated in the course of study, being already in elder's orders.

The name of C. F. Staples was called, he reported his work; his character was passed and on motion his name was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the Superannuate Relation.

S. H. Frazier withdraws.—The name of S. H. Frazier was called. A letter was read from him surrendering his credentials as deacon and his name was entered as having been withdrawn.

The name of L. I. McCain was called. His Presiding Elder reported his work; his character was passed and his name was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the superannuate relation; and by the request of the Presiding Elder, the Joint Board of Finance was solicited to aid him out of the emergency fund as much as possible.

Traveling Preachers from other Churches—Question 7 was called: Who are received from other churches as traveling preachers?

Answer: None.

Deacons of One Year.—Question 9 was called: Who are the deacons of one year?

The names of W. F. Roberts, and J. L. Cady were called; they made their reports; their characters passed and the Committee of Examination reporting favorably they were advanced to the class of the fourth year.

The name of W. B. Perritt was called; his character passed; not having before the Committee of Examination he remained in the class of the third year.

The name of J. A. Alford was called; his character passed, and not having been before the Committee of Examination, he was continued in class of the fourth year.

Credentials of D. F. Turner.—The credentials of Denny F. Turner as local deacon were returned through Briscoe Carter.

Prayer for Sister Perritt.—A telegram was received from W. B. Perritt asking prayer for his wife. H. W. May led the Conference in intercession for Sister Perritt.

Remaining on Trial.—Question 2 was called: Who remain on trial?

The name of W. R. McPherson was called; he reported his work, and his character was passed; not having been before the Committee of Examination he was continued in the class of the first year.

Traveling Preachers Elected Elders.—Question 14 was called? What Traveling Preachers are elected elders?

The names of Gustava Virgilio Romano and Daniel Leonard Griffin were called; they reported their work; their characters were passed, and, the Committee of Examination reporting favorably, they were elected to elders orders.

Locations.—Question 18 was called: Who are located this year?

Paul F. Daniels was located at his own request made in writing.

Discontinue.—Question 3 was called: Who are discontinued? J. E. Napper was discontinued at his own request.

Report of Secretary Conference Woman's Missionary Society.—The report of Mrs. A. P. Holt, Corresponding Secretary Louisiana Conference Woman's Missionary Society, was received and ordered to record. (See Appendix Page —).

Committee Excused.-The Committee on Conference Relations was excused on

motion of J. B. Williams.

Committee of Trial Announced.—The Committee of Trial in the case of J. W. Harper was announced by the Bishop as follows: W. F. Henderson, Chairman; W. W. Drake, P. M. Brown, A. S. J. Neill, A. J. Coburn, J. G. Sloane, V. D. Skipper, I. T. Reames, R. W. Tucker, R. H. Wynn, J. W. Lee, W. R. Harvell, D. C. Barr. Secretary to the Committee, J. F. Foster.

Admission on Trial.—Question 1 was called: Who are admitted on trial.

A. L. Harper, E. G. Wood, and A. A. Phillips having been duly recommended by the District Conference of the Alexandria District and the Committees of Admission and Examination reporting favorably were admitted on trial into the travelling connection.

F. B. Hill having been duly recommended by the District Conference of the Baton Rouge District and the Committees of Admission and Examination reporting favorably, was admitted on trial into the travelling connection.

Robert William Smith, having been duly recommended by the District Conference of the Lafayette District, and the Committees of Admission and Examination reporting favorably, was admitted on trial into the travelling connection.

Benjamin Harris Andrews having been duly recommended by the District Conference of the Monroe District, and the Committees of Admission and Examination reporting favorably, was admitted on trial into the travelling connection.

John Lafayette Lay duly recommended by the District Conference of the Ruston District was presented. The Committee on Admission reporting unfavorably and the Committee of Examination reporting favorably, on motion the report of the Committee of Admission reviewed and he was admitted on trial into the travelling connection, by a practically unanimous vote.

Arlington Clifton Searcy having been duly recommended by the District Conference of the Shreveport District and the Committees of Admission and Examination reporting favorably, was admitted on trial into the travelling connection.

Extension of Time.—On motion of J. O. Bennett the time was extended fifteen minutes

Introductions.—L. B. Elrod and R. O. Weir of the Texas Conference and J. J. Morgan, Agency Secretary American Bible Society, were introduced and Brother Morgan addressed the Conference.

Superannuations.—Question 20 was called: Who are superanuated?

On recommendation of the Committee on Conference Relations, R. S. Isbell, J. F. Wynn, F. G. Holcutt, M. G. Jenkins, J. H. Brown, J. L. P. Sheppard, H. Armstrong, J. F. Patterson, J. A. Parker, T. S. Randle, R. A. Davis, J. T. Sawyer, F. N. Sweeney, L. I. McCain, and C. F. Staples were granted the Superannuate Relation.

Adjournment.—Announcements were made, the doxology was sung, and Conference adjourned with the benediction by J. D. Harper.

FOURTH DAY

Convening.—Conference convened according to rule at 9 a.m., Bishop Atkins in the chair.

Devotional Service.—The devotional service was conducted by J. L. P. Sheppard consisting of singing Hymn 538, "How tedious and tasteless the hours," prayer, reading Ephesions 1, and singing Hymn 490—

"Saviour, more than life to me, I am clinging, clinging, close to thee." Approval of Minutes.—The minutes of the previous day's session were read and approved.

Sunday School Board Excused.—The members of the Sunday School Board were excused for a short session.

Attendance Noted.—The presence of S. S. Bogan and J. A. Alford, providentially detained from earlier attendance, was noted.

Names Referred.—C. M. Thompson was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the supernumerary relation; and G. D. Anders was referred for the superannuate relation.

Introductions.—Rev. O. J. Chandler, transfer from the Kentucky Conference, Dr. Stonewall Anderson, Secretary of the Board of Education, and W. C. Everett, Manager of the Dallas Branch of the Publishing House, were introduced to the Conference.

Report of Committee in Case of J. W. Harper.—The report of the Committee of Trial in the case of J. W. Harper was read as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF TRIAL.

We, your Committee appointed for the trial of Rev. J. W. Harper, find him guilty as charged, and depose him from the ministry and for a period of twelve months suspend him from membership in the Church.

W. F. HENDERSON, Chairman.
JNO. F. FOSTER, Secretary.
W. WINANS DRAKE,
W. R. HARVELL,
A. S. J. NEILL,
D. C. BARR,
PAUL M. BROWN,
J. J. KELLY,
J. W. LEE,
A. J. COBURN,
R. H. WYNN,
V. D. SKIPPER,
R. W. TUCKER,
JOHN G. SLOANE,
I. T. REAMES.

Local Deacons Elected.—Question 12 was called: What local preachers are deacons?

Egbert Gunn Wood, recommended by the District Conference of the Alexandria District, and John Lafayette Lay, and Marvin Wesley Moncrief, recommended by the District Conference of the Ruston District, were elected to Deacons orders.

Local Elders Elected.—Question 16 was called: What local preachers are elected Elders?

Pinkney Alford Swann, recommended by the District Conference of the Alexandria District was elected to elder's orders.

What local preachers Received from other Churches.—Question 7 was called: Who are received from other churches as local preachers?

The orders of A. L. Harper, as local deacon from the Methodist Episcopal Church, recommended by the Alexandria District Conference, were recognized auditing the fulfillment of the Disciplinary requirements.

Who are Re-admitted.—Question 5 was called: Who are re-admitted?

The recommendation of M. C. Holt, a local elder from the Lafayette District was presented. On motion the recommendation was recommitted to the Committee on Admissions.

Committee Excused.—The Committee on Conference Relations was excused.

Papers Referred.—A paper from the Southern Socialogical Congress was read.

Ministerial Character.—Question 22 was called: Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

The name of O. J. Chandler was called, he reported his work, and his character passed.

Leave of Absence.—F. R. Hill, Jr., was granted leave of absence for the remainder of the session.

Place of Holding next Session.—Question 52 was called: Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

Baton Rouge, Bogalusa and Lake Charles were placed in nomination. On motion Baton Rouge was unanimously selected.

Surrender of Credentials of J. W. Harper.—The credentials of J. W. Harper were surrendered and received.

Report of Committee on Conference Relations.—Question 19 was called: Who are supernumerary?

The report of the Committee on Conference Relations recommending C. M. Thompson and G. D. Anders for the supernumerary relation, was adopted.

Address by Mr. H. S. Pringle.—Henry S. Pringle, assistant superintendent of the International Reform Bureau was introduced by S. H. Werlein and addressed the Conference with reference to the attempt to re-introduce race track gambling into the State.

Report of Temperance Committee.—The report of the Committee of Temperance was presented by S. H. Werlein. It was moved that the report be adopted and submitted to the New Orleans Christian Advocate, and to the secular papers, with the request that it be printed in full. The motion prevailed and the report was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

Since we last met as a Conference gigantic strides have been made toward the ultimate suppression of the manufacture, importation, and sale of intoxicating liquors. The wave of protest against this monster evil is becoming nation wide. The conscience of the American people is awaking, and indeed the whole world is becoming more pronounced in favor of prohibition. We who have been giving time and strength and prayer toward this reform have reason to render thanksgiving to God for the progress which has been made. State after State in this Union has declared for prohibition. Of the 48 States of the Union 19 have declared for prohibition; 9 are nearly prohibition States with more than 50 per cent of the population under prohibition; 13 are partially prohibition with more than 25 per cent under prohibitory law; 9 States with a population less than 25 per cent under prohibition. No one can contemplate these figures without being thoroughly convinced that prohibition will soon prevail. Not only the friends of prohibition are assured of final victory, but saloonists and manufacturers of strong drink see their approaching doom. The hand writing is on the wall. The time is coming soon when every State must confront the question, shall the saloon or prohibition prevail? That hour has reached the State of Louisiana, we are now in the throes of this great crisis. For the first time in the history of Louisiana the people have been called to answer this question. It has entered into politics and has become a vital issue involving a great moral principle. One year age it would have been impossible for the advocate of prohibition to express their convictions at the ballot box. Their votes would have been uncounted. On January 25, 1916, every ballot for prohibition will be registered. The people of Louisiana will decide whether the saloon shall be King or whether righteousness shall prevail. They will determine whether the Menace to peace, happiness and prosperity of the people shall be allowed to continue its work of ruin, or whether it shall be utterly overturned and destroyed. They will decide whether the young men and young women of the State are of sufficient value to be protected from the infernal influences of these murder mills; of the cabaret, and brothels; or whether they shall be exposed to the salacious temptations of the wine room and be offered up as victims to satiate the maw of this rapacious Moloch. They will be called upon to decide whether blood money derived from licensing the saloon is of greater value than sobriety, industry, prosperity, righteousness and protection to life and health. All reforms in Democracy are to be affected by the ballot. Civic responsibility a sacred trust.

We as preachers are not only in duty bound to exemplify the Christian life but to impress on others their duty as citizens. A man is responsible to God for the way he votes. His ballot has upon it either the favor or disfavor of God. He either honors or dishonors the God whose servant he is. The Apostle said: "Whether therefore ye eat

or drink or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God."

When a great moral principle is involved the Christian citizen has not other choice than to stand for that principle. It is not a matter of the individual; it is the Kingdom of God which has the paramount claim. We desire to place ourselves on record as being opposed to the election of any candidate who in order to secure the support of the saloon will not co-operate in the exactment of laws suppressing the liquor nuisance, and pledge himself to the enforcement of laws which are already in existence. The Gay-Shattuck law, and the Sunday law prohibiting on the one hand the sale of liquor to minors and the promiscuous sale of liquor to whites and blacks at the same bar, and the opening of the saloon on Sunday are wantonly and defiantly violated, and many officials where sworn duty is to enforce these laws are remiss in the performance of their duty and for reasons known to themselves wink at these open violations of law. The time has come when Christian voters should show their strength at the polls and also by emphatic protest against official malfeasance. If Christian people remain inactive at such a time as this there will be no relief from the oppression and destructive dominance of the saloon. Shall the saloon rule the people of our State, or shall the people rise up in their manhood and abolish the saloon? This is the question which confronts Louisiana to-day. We pledge ourselves to co-operate with the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and the Louisiana Anti-Saloon League in their efforts to achieve the demolition of the liquor traffic.

We respectfully request the appointment of Rev. A. W. Turner as Superintendent

of the Anti-Saloon League in the State of Louisiana.

S. H. WERLEIN, Chairman.

Sunday School Board Report.-The report of the Sunday School Board was presented by H. N. Brown, amended by the insertion of the words "at a salary of \$3000.00 and traveling expenses" and adopted as amended as follows:

REPORT OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD.

Your Board believe that in the Sunday Schools we have the greatest auxiliary to the Church, and we take delight in its ever broadening field. As an evangelistic Agency it affords an unequalled opportunity to reach all classes, particularly that class from which we derive the best and unspoiled membership for the Church. It is a Missionary Society, a Church Extension Society, an Orphanage Agency, and a right hand helper to everything that is worthy of praise in Church work. We note with pleasure the rapid growth in the circulation of our periodical literature, there being a gain of over 61,000 during the last year, and with the Missionary Messenger 111,000.

It is gratifying to know that the graded courses are coming into more general use and are gradually taking the place of the uniform lesson papers. The decrease in the circulation of the Intermediate Quarterly, Our Little People, and The Olivet Pic-

ture Cards, being due to that fact.

We call special attention to the new publications "The Workers Council" and

"The Missionary Messenger" and commend them to our Schools.

The General Secretary reports some changes in our miscellaneous publications as already accomplished, and others as pending. We commend these changes and rec-

ommend these publications for general use.

In our new Superintendent of Teacher Training, Rev. John W. Shackford, we have a worthy successor to our lamented Dr. H. M. Hamill. He reports the present Teacher Training Course as temporary and that a new course is in process of preparation, which will probably take several years to complete. We note that the Teacher Training work is rapidly growing throughout the connection and that a very profitable part of it is in connection with our Schools and Colleges. We commend this fact to the attention of Centenary and Mansfield Colleges.

The Wesley Bible Class movement is coming into more general favor and is growing in efficiency. We urge all Adult Classes in our Sunday Schools to register with our central office in Nashville, Tenn.

We have made provision for a series of Institutes in which we will have the aid of Mr. A. L. Deitrich, our Divisional Field Secretary. We regret that according to the last published minutes there are 96 Societies in Louisiana which do not have Sunday Schools.

We furnish literature for the First Quarter to new Schools if the application has the endorsement of the Field Secretary or Chairman.

We appreciate the work that has been done by the Louisiana Sunday School As-

sociation.

We urge all our Sunday Schools to observe Childrens' Day and to forward their offering to our Treasurer, and have made provision to pay for the Programs of any School that will promise to observe the day and return the offering to the Board.

We have elected Mr. H. L. Baker from the New Orleans District in place of J. H. Carter, resigned, and Mr. S. M. Collins from the Ruston District in place of Mr. B. F. Dudley, resigned.

We request the Bishop to appoint a Field Secretary at a salary of \$3,000 a year

and travelling expenses.

We recommend that an Assessment equal to 2 per cent on the assessment for ministerial support be levied by the District Stewards to provide support for a Field Secretary.

Respectfully submitted,

H. N. BROWN, Chairman. J. A. ALFORD, Secretary.

Collection Taken by Brother Carter.—A collection was taken by Briscoe Carter for the support of the Sunday school secretaryship, which amounted to \$1000 in cash and pledges.

Address by Mr. R. T. Moore.—Mr. R. T. Moore addressed the Conference with reference to the situation and needs of Mansfield College.

College Week.—It was moved that a week be set apart as College Week, during which especially to solicit patronage for Mansfield College, and that the Executive Committee of the Board of Education designate the time.

The motion prevailed.

Admission into Full Connection—Question 4 was called: Who are admitted into full connection?

Thomas Lyle Bryson and William F. Henderson, Jr., being recommended by the Committee on Admission as having complied with all Disciplinary requirements, were called to the chancel and after giving satisfactory answers to the Disciplinary questions, were admitted into full connection.

Motion for Afternoon Session.—It was moved that when we adjourned to meet at 3 p.m. The motion prevailed.

Resolutions on Wesley Classes.—The following resolution, introduced by S. J. Davies, was passed.

Be it resolved that we do most earnestly recommend that all our pastors in the various charges organize Wesley Bible Classes in all the Sunday Schools.

S. J. DAVIES, BRISCOE CARTER, K. W. DODSON.

Address by W. C. Everitt.—Mr. W. C. Everitt, Manager of the Dallas Branch of the Publishing House, briefly addressed the Conference.

Public Worship.—The report of the Committee on Public Worship was submitted \cdot and received as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORSHIP, Sunday, November 21, 1915.

First Methodist Church-

10:00 a.m., Love Feast, led by J. L. P. Sheppard.

11:00 a.m., Morning Service, preaching by Bishop Atkins, and ordination of deacons.

3:00 p.m., Sermon by S. H. Werlein; ordination of elders.

7:30 p.m., Address by Bishop Atkins, Reading of Appointments.

First Presbyterian Church—11 a.m., R. H. Harper.

First Baptist Church—11 a.m., A. G. Shankle; 3 p.m., Address by C. V. Breithaupt and Miss Walker.

Christian Church—11 a.m., A. I. Townsley.

Methodist Episcopal (Colored)—11 a.m., W. E. Thomas.

Adjournment - Announcements were made and Conference adjourned with Doxology and Benediction by J. F. Foster.

FOURTH DAY-AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convening.—Conference convened pursuant to adjournment at 3 p.m., W. W. Holmes, by appointment of the Bishop, in the chair.

Devotional Service. The opening devotional services consisted in singing Hymn 1,

"O for a thousand tongues to sing-My great Redeemer's praise,"

prayer led by J. L. Williams, reading Matthew V and singing Hymn 393—"Am I a soldier of the cross?"

Approval of Minutes.—The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

Bishop Takes the Chair.—Bishop Atkins took the chair.

Orphanage. The report of the Orphanage Board was presented by C. C. Weir and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE ORPHANAGE BOARD.

We note with pleasure, the prosperous and healthy condition of the Louisiana Methodist Orphanage at Ruston.

We recommend the election of S. D. Pearce, J. H. Mays, and A. G. Shankle on the Board of Directors of the Louisiana Methodist Orphanage to succeed themselves.

We again recommend that Easter Sunday and Work Day be observed as Orphanage Days for raising funds for our Institution.

We recommend that the report of the Board of Directors, incorporating report of Superintendent Vaughn, be printed in the Minutes of our Conference.

We very greatly appreciate the success of our Superintendent, R. W. Vaughan, and request that Bishop Atkins re-appoint him to that office for 1916.

C. C. WIER, President.

The following Report of the Superintendent of the Louisiana Methodist Orphanage was received and order to record.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE LOUISIANA METHODIST ORPHANAGE.

To the Hon. S. D. Pearce, President, and Members of the Board of Directors, of the Louisiana Methodist Orphanage:

I beg to submit my annual report of the work of the Louisiana Methodist Orphanage for the year from November 15, 1914 to November 1, 1915.

I am happy to report advancement and gropress along every line of our work. We have more children, they have maintained their high standard of excellence, both in the school room and in the home, have kept in better health, and on the whole, our work with the children has been more satisfactory than ever before. In spite of the depressed conditions over the country our financial condition has been highly gratifying. We have been enable to meet all our obligations regularly and promptly. Agriculturally it has been one of the best years we have ever had. Our garden, trucking, corn, potatoes and fruit crops have been unusually good. In our canning operations we have put up large quantities of peaches, pears and apples, beans, tomatoes, beets, corn and okra. We have constructed a canning house and installed a small, but modern, canning equipment; we have laid the play room floor in the main building, and are now building a scientific potato house for curing and keeping our potatoes.

We have had 111 children in our care during the year. Of these we now have 107 in the Orphanage. We have placed three in good Christian homes, and returned one to his relative. Cne child, taken from the Charity Hospital, has been returned for further treatment. We are profoundly grateful that we have not had one serious case

of illness, and have passed another year without the loss of a child by death.

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We are still fortunate in retaining the services of our force of workers, and have added an assistant matron, Miss Sallie McDonald. These helpers in our work are capable and efficient, and much of the success of our work is due to their faithful services. Our House Matron, Miss Keller, has suffered terribly with a bone fellon that involved the entire hand, which necessitated several severe and painful operations, yet with all, she kept up her duties and directed the work of her department with her usual skill and ability.

The gift of Mr. C. W. Blair, of Shreveport, of \$2,025.00, enabled us to pay off the third note of our inaebtedness, which leaves one note yet unpaid. This note will fall due December 31, and we are trusting that we may be able to secure the funds necessary to meet that note when due. If we can pay this note our Institution will then

be entirely free of debt for the first time in our history.

The most serious condition that confronts us is the constant and ever growing demands on us to take more children. We now have our full capacity, and until we are to build and equip another building, and secure a larger income for our maintenance, it will be quite impossible for us to take more children into our home. The fact that we have been compelled to refuse a home to over 350 children this year, many of whom were as needy as any we now have under our care, is a most distressing fact.

The removal of the assessment by the Conference for the support of the Orphanage, has not materially affected our income this year thus far. The people over the Church in general have maintained a most cordial and generous attitude toward our work. The Easter collections were most gratifying, and so far the collections from "Work Day" indicate that they will not fall behind the collections of last year. Some individual churches have not done as well as under the former plan, but it is quite impossible to tell the final effect of this change until after Conference.

Our financial statement for the year, November 15, 1914 to November 1, 1915, is

as follows:

Cash on hand, November 15, 1915		\$ 2,742.01	•
Cash Receipts—			
Churches and Individuals	\$6,818.77		
Sunday Schools	4,181.51		
Woman's Missionary Societies	369.28		
Ladies Aid Societies	104.34		
School Improvement League, Alberta	75.44		
"Orphanage Circle, Winnfield"	45.00		
Epworth Leagues	28.90		
C. W. Blair Donation	2,025.00		
Old clothes sold	118.97		
Pea nuts sold	43.63		
Pig sold	5.00		
Refund, in accounts	41.10-	-\$13,856.94	
Total cash in hand during year			\$ 16.598.9 5
Disbursements—			, ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
Salaries, Superintendent and helpers	\$3.876.66		
Office Expenses—	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		•
Traveling Expenses \$187.5	51		
Postage	85		
Stationery and Office Supplies	-		
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Indebtedness—			
Note 2,000.0	0.0		
Interest	00- 2 186 00-	- 6 565 67	
Interest	2,100.00	0,000.01	
No. in town on an			
Maintenance— Groceries	\$2 632 20		
Groceries	896.52		
Dry Goods	645.89		
Hardware and Furniture	494.15		
Stock Feed and Fertilizers			•
Fuel			
Canning Expenses	107.18		
Drugs and School Supplies	378.35		
Seed and Plants	62.08		

Stock Bought Laundry Lights Water Telephone Sundries	35.00 291.13 236.15 138.30 65.31 148.81—	- 6,790.45	ŧ
Improvements and Repairs—			
Septic Tank and Sewerage	355.54		•
Canning ouse, Play Room Floor, etc	615.84—	971.38	
Total Expenditures		\$14,227.50	
Error in Account			
Balance in hands of Treasurer		2,364.55	
		-	\$16,598.95
INVENTORY.			φ10,030.33
Assets—	•		
Cash in hands of Treasurer		\$ 2,364.55	
Main Building and Furniture\$30	0,000.00		
	1,000.00		
Canning House and Equipment	750.00		
	5,000.00		
87½ acres land	1,210.00	•	
Stock	250.00		
Cattle	500.00		
Hogs	150.00		
Farm Implements	200.00		
Fencing	250.00—	\$42,310.00	
Total Assets	• • • • • • • •		\$44,674.55

Total Liabilities\$ 2,060.00 Actual Worth 42,614.55-

\$44,674.55

We have thus added to the actual value of our Institution, \$4,162.13 during the year, besides the expense of operation.

In addition to the above we carry insurance to the amount of \$26,000.00 on our

biuldings, with no premiums now due.

Indebtedness\$2,000.00

Interest on same

Already one car, filled with corn, hay, potatoes, and other useful products has been received. The V. S. & P. Railway people granted free transportation to this car, and the products were given by the people of the Tallulah pastoral charge, under the vigorous lead of their efficient pastor, Rev. V. D. Skipper. Arrangements are already being perfected for the incoming of at least three more cars, and probably four. The railroads issued authority for the movement of these cars, and they will come as Thanksgiving offerings to our Institution. These offerings come from the Monroe District, with the exception of the car to move from Alexandria over the Rock Island, and a probable juncture with a car from Haynesville and intermediate points to Bienville and thence to Jonesboro. This movement is of high value to our work.

At no time have we ever looked forward with greater confidence and higher hopes for our great work. The loyalty and devotion of our people all over the State is most gratifying, and we feel assured that our interest will be cared for. Yet, with all, we feel the pressing need of enlargement and improvement. While we rejoice over the work already accomplished, we yearn to do a greater work. We see the need and feel its importance as never before. The cry from the homeless, helpless child is the most heartrending, distressing wail that can fall on human ears, or burden human hearts.

That we may meet this growing demand, that we may better equip ourselves to do this larger work, I trust to you, who have so largely pointed the way to what has already been done, to devise, suggest and plan. I trust that the God of love and Wisdom may guide you in your deliberations and plans, and may lead us all in the future conduct Respectfully submitted, R. W. VAUGHAN. of our great and noble task.

Superintendent, Louisiana Methodist Orphanage.

Church Extension.—The report of the Board of Church Extension was read by R. O. Randle and adopted as follows:

REPORT No. 1 OF THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

Your Board of Church Extension has met from time to time during the sessions of the Conference and has carefully considered the applications for aid that have been presented to it for attention.

The means at our command have been totally insufficient to meet all the demands that have been made upon us. In fact, we have, of necessity, eliminated some of the applications that have come to us and have scaled nearly all the others, endeavoring to give aid to the churches that seemed to us most in need of such aid.

In the disposition of the funds at our command, we have acted after prayerful discussion of all claims, without regard to the location of claimants, and have done what we believed to be best for the interest of the Church. The financial statement will show the appropriations, and is hereinafter set forth in detail.

In view of the fact that the dedicatory services of the New Office Building of the General Board of Church Extension will be held in Louisville, Ky., during the 1916 meeting of the General Board, and in view of the fact that a meeting of Conference Representatives is to be held there at that time, we recommend that a representative of the Conference Board of the Louisiana Annual Conference be selected to attend the meeting, and that his travelling expenses be paid by our Board out of funds in the hand of the Treasurer. We nominate as a representative of this Board Rev. K. W. Dodson, the President of the Board.

We note that during the past year only six of our Sunday Schools have made use of the Sunday School Birthday Jars; we feel that there has been a lack on the part of our Pastors in pressing this matter, and we urge our Pastors to give this matter continual attention until every Sunday School is equipped with, and uses the Birthday Jar.

Members of the Executive Committee of your Board have, during the past year, visited four of the District Conferences held in our State; it is our desire to attend, during the coming year, the various District Conferences n the Louisiana Annual Conference, and we desire the co-operation of the Brethren in the matter of publicity of this cause, by sermons on the subject.

In view of the action of the General Board of Church Extension calling for a Church-wide campaign for the increase of the loan fund capital of the Board to an amount not less than one million dollars, your committee has adopted the following resolutions which we commend to the Conference:

Resolved: First—We heartily endorse the proposition of the General Board for a Loan Fund Day throughout the bounds of our Church. We suggest the observance of Sunday as Loan Fund Day; and we pledge ourselves to co-operate with the Special Committee in making it a success.

Second—Our preachers and churches are urged to fall in line with the whole Church in giving the day designated to the interests of Church Extension, affording the people an opportunity to make contributions in cash or subscription, all cash received to be remitted to the general office at Louisville, Ky., and all subscriptions taken, with the amount subscribed and address, sent to the same place.

Third—We recommend that contributions not otherwise directed within the bounds of this Conference, become a part of the Conference Board Loan Fund, which fund is administered by this Board in the interest of Church and Parsonage building within the bounds of the Conference, through the general office at Louisville, Ky. We recommend also that the amount contributed by the Sunday Schools of this Conference be added to the Sunday School Loan Fund.

Fourth—We urge our Presiding Elders, Preachers, Lay Leaders, Sunday School Superintendents and Epworth League Officers to keep this matter before the people, and to so plan that they may be informed on the subject and that they be given an opportunity to make a contribution to the loan fund capital of the Board of Church Extension.

Fifth—We make mention of the fact, for the information of all concerned, that the general office at Louisville, Ky., will provide, free of charge, literature, charts, etc., for educational purposes subscription blanks, and all other necessary printed matter for the proper observance of the day.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Total amount collected on assessment\$ Special ()	2,509.00
Cash in hand from 1915	39.10
Total amount for distribution\$	2,548.10
APPROPRIATIONS.	
To General Board To Eunice To Houma To Louisiana Avenue To McGehee To Natchitoches To Oak Grove To Queensboro To Rives Balance on hand	200.00
Total\$ ASSESSMENT, LOUISIANA ANNUAL CONFERENCE.	2,548.10
For 1916\$5,970.00.	
Apportionments for 1916— Alexandria District	861.00 879.00

Respectfully submitted.

K. W. DODSON.

830:00

707.00

775.00

978.00

940.00

Lay Activities.—The report of the Committee of Lay Activities was read and adopted as follows:

Lafayette District

Monroe District.....

New Orleans District

Ruston District

Shreveport District

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LAY ACTIVITIES.

I beg to submit my annual report as Conference Lay Leader as follows:

1. The number of charges in the Conference in which the Committees of the Laymen's Missionary Movement are organized and effective-30.

2. The number of charges in which a systematic campaign of Missionary Education is being conducted—13.

3. The number of charges in which an every-member canvass has been made for Missions and other Conference claims-28.

The number of charges using the duplex envelope—24.
 The number of charges carrying a Missionary Special—0.
 No efforts have been made by the Laymen's Missionary Movement to co-

operate with Conference Boards except the efforts made to raise the collections.

7. No efforts have been made (as yet) to promote evangelism by volunteer service, or otherwise.

8. As an organized body, we have made no efforts to suppress the liquor traffic, but we are happy to say that Methodist Laymen are in the forefront of the fight against that great evil in our beloved State. Indeed, one of our District Lay Leaders was unable to attend Conference because he was one of the leaders in the prohibition fight in Rapides Parish.

9. Our laymen are beginning to organize for Social Service and we hope we may

have better reports along this line in the future.

10. I regret to say that this is only a partial report. One District was omitted entirely because the District was engaged in a prohibition fight and made no report, one other District Leader made his report upon an erroneous blank and it could not be used. I think, therefore, that our report ought really to make a better showing than it does.

Finally, let me say that there seems to be a growing interest in our work. Five of seven District Leaders were in attendance and a sixth Leader sent his report.

The preachers seem to be more favorably inclined to adopt "A Financial Method for Methodist," and when they do the work will be accelerated. The people will then

fall into line, for "like priest, like peeple."

Our Laymen's Rally this afternoon was an inspiration to us. We believe it to be far the best we have ever had. We wish to thank Bishop Atkins for greatly helping the rally by omitting the Cabinet meeting at that hour, thus allowing all the Presiding Elders to attend the rally, and by being present himself and making an address favorable to our work.

We believe the Laymen's work to be largely in the hands of the preachers, and when they catch the great vision and move forward, the work shall become irresistable. As leaders, they must show the people the way and not try to do all the work themselves. Onr Conference being principally preachers' meetings, the work of our Church being principally in the hands of preachers, we are falling behind the Congregational Churches in the great work of the Lord, and that in spite of our incomparable organization. It is because their laymen are trained to work and ours are not. Unless this condition is changed I fear for the future of our Church.

Respectfully submitted,

W. S. HOLMES.

Conference Lay Leader.

Auditing Board.—The report of the Auditing Board was submitted by A. M. Mayo, and received and ordered to record as follows:

REPORT OF THE AUDITING BOARD.

Received from all sources	\$26,533.47
Bishops\$ 895.	00
Conference Claimants	
Superannuate Endowment Fund	
Printing Minutes	
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Foreign Missions,\$4,510.	00
Foreign Missions Specials	00
Foreign Missions Sunday School 206.	00-\$ 4,812.00
Home and Conference Missions\$5,428.6	00
French Missions	00-\$ 5,465.00
Contract Con	
Church Extension\$2,509.0	00
Church Extension Special 27.0	00—\$ 2,536.00
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Education\$4,175.	00
Centenary College 2,626.6	00—\$ 6,801.00
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American Bible Society	
Children's Day	
District Parsonage, Alexandria\$120.	
District Parsonage, Baton Rouge 5.0	00
District Parsonage, Monroe	00 0 500 00
District Parsonage, Shreveport 479.	709.00
	81.50
Orphanage	01.0U
. Cash in Bank	\$10,491.00
	\$26,533.47
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Respectfully submitted,

A. M. MAYO, J. G. SLOANE, W. R. HARVELL.

Appropriations.—On motion of R. H. Wynn a surplus of \$350.00 in the hands of the Auditing Board was appropriated to Mansfield Female College.

Church Publications.—The report of the Committee on Church Publications was read and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHURCH PUBLICATIONS.

We note with interest that our Publishing House under the management of Messrs. Smith & Lamar, reports a net gain in profits over last year more than \$125,000. This profit is reported in spite of the fact that net sales for the current year are less than reported last year.

We heartily commend the editorial policy of the New Orleans Christian Advocate and most earnestly urge our preachers and laymen to use their influence to give it a wider circulation. We deem the Church most fortunate in that Dr. R. A. Meek has been continued as its editor, and the publisher is without doubt giving us a paper that is good to look upon.

We are convinced that our General Organ, The Christian Advocate, is a great religious journal and should be read by all our people. We commend as worthy reading the Epworth Era, the Missionary Voice, and the Methodist Review. All of them are worthy of our great Church. We would mention favorably the published reports of our General Board of Church Extension and General Board of Missions. The Annuals of these two Boards are books of rare worth.

We recognize the superior character of our Sunday School literature and recommend its use in all our schools and a general circulation of the Sunday School Weekly papers among our young people.

Your committee is duly conscious of the fact that our Church has suffered a great loss in the death of the late Dr. Gross Alexander, Editor of the Methodist Review, and it is also conscious that our Church has acted wisely in selecting as his successor the Rev. Dr. H. M. DuBose. We commend Dr. DuBose to the love and confidence of our people and bespeak for our Review under his leadership even a greater influence in the field of religious journalism than it has enjoyed in the past.

We most respectfully submit to you the following resolution looking to furthering the quality and circulation of our Conference organ:

Whereas (first), the last General Conference recommended that the Church, itself, own and control all its authorized church papers, and that the Book Committee be charged with the duty of dividing the whole church territory into several districts and of seeking to combine papers where there are more than are needed in any given area; and also that each Annual Conference select commissioners to effect a change from private to Conference ownership where ever practicable and to otherwise co-operate with the general Committee; and Whereas (second), the Book Committee has suggested tentative areas and combinations, and since such preliminary work will be required to effect the necessary re-adjustments.

Therefore, be it resolved, that this, the Louisiana Conference is heartily in sym-

pathy with the general purpose of these recommendations.

The report from the Trustees of our Depository at 512 Camp Street, New Orleans, was before your Committee. This report informs us that a bill for \$75, taxes and insurances, ordered presented to the Publishing Committee of the New Orleans Christian Advocate by the Louisiana Conference last year had been returned by the Secretary of that Committee with the advice that it has no funds out of which to pay same. We respectfully find that the property is owned by our Church and chartered as a book depository and domicile of the New Orleans Christian Advocate and that it is held by a Board of Trustees for such purposes; that all bills for taxes, insurances, and repairs properly accrue against said building and should be paid by the Trustees of the same out of such funds as may be in their possession from rentals or otherwise; and if for any reason, now or ever hereafter, there is not sufficient income from the building to maintain it, bills accumulate against it should be referred to the Louisiana Conference A. J. GEARHEARD, Secretary. for payment.

New Orleans Depository.—The report of the Trustees of the New Orleans Depository was returned by the Committee on Publishing Interest and ordered to record as follows:

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE NEW ORLEANS DEPOSITORY.

New Orleans, November 5, 1915.

To the Louisiana Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Mansfield, Louisiana:

I submit the report of the Board of Trustees of the New Orleans Depository, prop-

erty 512 Camp Street, for the Conference of 1915 as follows:

This year has been a most unfortunate one for this property. It has been rented it is true during the year at \$50.00 per month, but due to rat proofing required by the

United States Health Authorities and the storm occurring on September 29, necessitating a great deal of repair being done on account of the damage resulting from the storm, therefore, our Board will be unable to send any money to the Conference, as the

Treasurer's report, which will be handed in to you, only shows a balance of \$38.05.

It was resolved by the Board of Trustees that the following names be recommended to you for appointment as Trustees of the New Orleans Depository for the com-

ing year:

W. B. Thomson, J. H. Carter, S. H. Meyer, Geo. S. Brown, M. B. DePass, W. W. Carré, Geo. H. Warson, Ed. Alvis.

The property is insured for \$6,000.00.

By order of the last Annual Conference the Publishing Committee of the Christian Advocate was to reimburse the Board of Trustees of the Depository for taxes and insurance during the period that the lower floor was not rented. A bill was rendered for this to the Publishing Committee as well as the Publisher for about \$73.00; and we

have a letter from the Secretary of the Publishing Committee acknowledging receipt of the bill, an abstract of which I give you for your information:

"In reply to the matter presented by a Committee of the Board in reference to the payment by the Publishing Committee of the New Orleans Christian Advocate of a bill of Taxes, Insurance, etc., that the Publishing Committee, under the charter of a Board by which the Advocate Office Property is held, does not regard itself as responsible for said bill, and is without funds for such payment. Under the contract of the Committee with the Publisher of the Advocate, made according to previous precedents and understandings, the Committee has no power to hold the Publisher of the Advocate responsible for such payments."

We regret a more favorable report cannot be given but due to the very small revenue of \$600.00 a year for the lower floor, from which taxes, insurance and repairs have to be deducted, we cannot hope to show much of a balance at the end of the year

especially when contingencies arise as was the case this year.

The two upper floors are under the control of the Publishing Committee and occupied by the Publisher and Editor for the publication of the New Orleans Christian Advocate, doing a great deal of printing and job printing for outside parties, hence the only revenue we can hope for is from the lower floor.

This is a very valuable piece of property and becoming more valuable all the time, and it looks as if some arrangements should be made to put it on a more paying basis.

W. W. CARRE, President Board of Trustees.

Bible Society.—The report of the Bible Society Board was read and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE BIBLE SOCIETY BOARD.

May the sixth next will celebrate the centennial of the American Bible Society. During its one hundred years of existence it has been one of the mightiest agents in the upbuilding of the Kingdom of God. No one can remotely estimate what has been accomplished by the free distribution throughout the world of the scriptures, translated as they have been into almost every language. Without this great arm of the Church the ultimate Christianization of the world would be hopeless. Its only means of support is the voluntary offerings of individual and church organizations. Our own church has not been indifference to its appeal for financial aid.

The General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, recommended at its last session that two cents per member be assessed for the support of the Society. In accordance with this recommendation your Committee asked the Louisiana Conference to contribute \$660.00, the actual amount paid was \$380.00, leaving a deficit of \$284.00. No cause merits financial aid more than the American Bible Society. Failure to meet these assessments, impedes greatly the work of the Society. Notwithstanding the fact that six million four hundred and six thousand three hundred and twenty-three volumes were circulated last year, the actual need of the world will fall short one million copies.

We are informed that seven thousand young Confusionists have enrolled for systematic Bible study during the year past, and the report of the Southwestern Agency informs us that every field of the Society, save Mexico and the Turkish Empire is calling

for advance.

In our own State the Society employs two paid colporteurs, one to minister to the needs of the French, and the other to the Italians. These men visit from house to house,

speaking the language of the families visited, and in many instances leading enquirers

to the knowledge of Jesus Christ.

On the Battle fields of Europe 1,000,000 copies of the New Testament have been distributed among the soldiers. It is urgently requested by this Board that all our preachers in the Louisiana Conference deliver a special sermon on the Bible during the month of May, 1916, and that the great work of the American Bible Society be brought to the attention of all our people. Presiding Elders are respectfully requested to have special emphasis placed upon the work of this institution at the District Conferences which will be held in 1916.

We would express our appreciation of the annual gift of one hundred Bibles made by the American Bible Society to the Louisiana State Penitentiary for the benefit of prisoners. We recommend that the following assessments be made upon the several

Districts of the Louisiana Conference as follows:

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Alexandria District	
Baton Rouge District	. 101.00
Lafayette District	. 96.00
Monroe District	. 82.00
New Orleans District	. 90.00
Ruston District	110.00
Shreveport District	. 108.00

Respectfully submitted,

S. H. WERLEIN, Chairman. M. HEBERT, Secretary.

Pineville Cemetery.—The report of the Committee on the Pineville Cemetery was submitted by H. W. May, read and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PINEVILLE CEMETERY.

In pursuance of the resolution of the Louisiana Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at its session at Shreveport, Louisiana, December 14, 1914, and found on page twenty of the Conference Annual for said year, Rev. H. W. May, Presiding Elder of the Alexandria District, appointed a committee composed of Rev. Paul M. Brown, Messrs. T. F. Porter, G. H. Pierson, R. W. Winstead and J. T. Sandlin, all members of the Quarterly Conference of the Natchitoches Charge of the Louisiana Conference. This Committee met at Natchitoches, Louisiana, October 31, 1915, and passed the following resolution:

Whereas, the Committee understands from representation of those informed, that a certain lot of land upon which the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and parsonage in Pineville, Louisiana, is located has been used for the double purpose of church parsonage lot and cemetery, and that for a number of years the church and parsonage have been kept up by one organization and the cemetery by another, viz., by the Board of

Trustees of the Pineville Charge and the Cemetery Association.

Further, we find from the original deed of the property, a copy of which is before us, that the ownership of said property lies in the Louisiana Annual Conference, therefore, be it resolved that we recommend to the Louisiana Annual Conference the following disposition of the property as an equitable adjustment of all matters at issue, viz., that the Louisiana Annual Conference instruct the Board of Trustees of said Conference, otherwise known as the Legal Conference, to deed the following described portion of the property to the Board of Trustees of th Pineville Charge or their legal successors, viz., the lot of ground in the southwestern corner of said enclosure having a front of ninety feet on the street between the church property and the Rapides Cemetery and running back a depth of two hundred feet between parallel lines on the street behind the present parsonage and also a lot upon which the church is situated and next to the one last described having a front of seventy feet on the street between the church property and the Rapides Cemetery and running back between parallel lines a depth of one hundred and forty-six feet, also a lot next to the one last described having a front of seventy feet on the street between the church property and the Rapides Cemetery and running back between parallel lines a depth of one hundred and forty-six feet.

Further, that the Louisiana Annual Conference instruct its Board of Trustees to deed the remaining portion of ground in the present enclosure and described in deed made by T. H. Maddox of the Louisiana Annual Conference on the 21st day of March, 1873, to the Cemetery Association above mentioned when said Association shall become legally incorporated under the Laws of Louisiana and shall provide in its Constitution that all vacancies occurring by death or otherwise in the Association shall be filled by

the Quarterly Conference of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, South, of Alexandria, Louisiana.

PAUL M. BROWN, THOS. F. PORTER, G. H. PIERSON, R. W. WINSTEAD, J. T. SANDLIN.

Treasurer's Report of the Woman's Missionary Society.—The report of the Treasurer of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Louisiana Conference was received, and ordered to record. (See Appendix).

Mrs. Bliss.—Mrs. Bliss, President of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Louisiana Conference, was introduced and addressed the Conference.

G. S. Sexton.—Dr. G. S. Sexton, detained at the time of the passage of his character, reported his work.

New Orleans Christian Advocate.—J. M. Henry presented the following resolution which was adopted:

In keeping $_{\mbox{\scriptsize W}}\mbox{ith}$ the action of the New Orleans Christian Advocate Publishing Committee,

Be it resolved, that we heartily approve the effort to raise the subscription list of the paper to 10,000, and that we will undertake to secure 900 net increase, our prorata of this addition.

J. M. HENRY, BRISCOE CARTER.

Vanderbilt University.—C. C. Miller read the report of the special committee on the relation of the Conference and the Church to Vanderbilt University, which was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

Whereas, the Rev. Thomas Carter and the Rev. H. B. Carré are at present, and have, for a number of years, been serving as professors in the Vanderbilt University at Nashville, Tenn.; and

Whereas, this Conference has requested the presiding Bishop to appoint Brothers Carter and Carré to professorships in Vanderbilt University,

Therefore, be it Resolved, that, while we have recommended the appointment of these brethren to professorships in Vanderbilt University, we desire to place ourselves on record as commending, in every particular, the action of the General Conference of 1914, and also, all the acts of the Commissioners, appointed by said General Conference, relative to said Vanderbilt matter.

R. W. TUCKER, R. H. HARPER, C. C. MILLER.

Epworth League Board.—The report of the ${\rm Ep_Worth}$ League Board was received and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE EPWORTH LEAGUE BOARD.

In considering the report of the General Secretary of the Epworth League, which report was before us in printed form, we note the hopefulness of the outlook as expressed by our Secretary. Especially gratifying is it to us that Dr. F. S. Parker has decided not to divide his time, by occupying a chair in the School of Theology at Dallas, but is to continue as General Secretary giving his full time to the work. We heartly commend him as a man who has the work on his heart, and, who sees the boundless possibilities of young life.

We heartily approve of the correlation of the Junior League and the Juvenile Missionary Society, as recommended by the General Conference, and agreeing with the Woman's Missionary Society and the State League Conference.

We recommend that We set as our goal one thousand dollars to be raised by the Leagues for the Congo Mission Special, to pay the salary of our Louisiana representative, John A. Stockwell. In addition to the regular \$2 from each chapter, we ask all the chapters and churches where there are no Leagues to make a special Christmas offering

on Sunday, December 26, 1915, for State work organization. The money to be sent to Rev. A. F. Vaughan, Treasurer, Franklin, La.

Whereas, there is no longer the class meeting or other means of public testimony outside of the regular prayer meeting, whereby young men and women can be developed in practical Christian work, we recommend that pastors follow the Discipline and

organize Leagues wherever possible.

We wish to express our appreciation of the presence of Mr. John D. Saint, State League President, and of the Work which he is doing. We here call attention to the State Conference to be held in Alexandria, beginning June 17, 1916, and urge pastors who have Leagues in their charge to see that delegates are named and sent to this Conference.

W. E. THOMAS, President. J. CUDE ROUSSEAUX, CHAS. M. MORRIS.

Mr. H. H. Ahrens.-Mr. H. H. Ahrens, representing the Times-Picayune was called to the floor in recognization of the eminent value of the journal he represents, and of his own services as reporter of the Louisiana Conference for a period of 23 years, and spoke briefly.

Asbury Centenary.—The report of the special committee on the Asbury Centenary was read, amended by constituting a Committee of three on program, and adopted as

amended as follows:

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE ASBURY CENTENARY.

We rejoice in the widespread interest that the approaching centenary of the death of Francis Asbury is eliciting in American Methodism, and we make the following recommendations: That-

1. A suitable program be carried out in its session in 1916, in honor of the labors and achievements of Asbury and his co-laborers and the mighty results that have come

from their heroic endeavors.

2. On the Sunday nearest the date of the anniversary of his death, March 26, or Sunday, June 4, 1916, a sermon be preached from every pulpit designed to call to the minds of the prosperous Methodists of to-day how great was the investment of endeavor and devotion, privation and sacrifice made by the preachers and members af the first half century of American Methodism.

3. A wide circulation of literature relating to the men and events of that period be enterprised in order that the appreciation and gratitude of Methodists of the twen-

tieth century may be evoked for the fathers of the eighteenth century.

4. A bronze equestrian statue of Bishop Asbury be erected in the City of Washington from the voluntary contributions of American Methodist Churches. Such a statue of this devoted man being eminently worthy of place among the statues of those who have served their country as warriors, statesmen, and pioneers, in as much as his labors helped mightily in laying religious, moral and social foundations for an enduring Republic.

5. A Committee of three be appointed by the chair to arrange in advance for the

program and its carrying out at the next session of the Conference.

FITZGERALD S. PARKER, W. WINANS DRAKE, PAUL M. BROWN.

Re-admission.—Question 5 was called: Who are re-admitted?

The recommendation of M. C. Holt was again presented by the Committee of Admissions and reported favorably. He was re-admitted on a division by a vote of 59 to 17.

The report No. 2 of the Board of Education was presented by W. W. Drake and adopted as follows:

REPORT No. 2, BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The obligation of the Church to provide distinctly Christian education for her sons and daughters, is a demand enforced by the necessity of self-preservation. The thoroughness with which she trains her children for the ministry and for stalwart leadership in the lay ranks, as well as for missionary service, will surely determine the power of her own influence on the next generation. By her influence upon the educational life of the State and nation, spiritualizing its ideals and overcoming its materialistic tendencies she has a great opportunity to affect profoundly the life and civilization of our entire people. The necessity for emphasizing this educational mission of the Church by greatly strengthening our institutions of learning is manifest to all who consider the secularizing tendencies manifest in current educational thought, and the far reaching evils that would follow an educational system that neglects to emphasize the Christian element.

The obligation of the Church in this direction involves such a thorusgh and adequate equipment and maintenance of our academies, colleges and universities as will place them upon a level of successful competition with the best institutions in the land.

The Church is likewise called to face the pressing problem raised by the fact that, under our school system, the great body of pupils in our high schools are being taught history, literature, mathematics, and language, without instruction in the Bible and its fundamental teachings upon which our civilizaton rests. The solution of this question demands the best thought and most persistent effort of the leaders of the Church, that some satisfactory plan may be evolved for giving our young people in the school age, real instruction in the Word of God, co-operating as far as possible and necessary with the authorities of the public schools.

Closely related to this obligation, is the call to give definite religious help and training to the great bodies of students in our State Universities and normal and technical schools. A great majority of those who are to be the leaders in the political, industrial, social and educational life of the State; are students in these State institutions, which cannot from the nature of the case, furnish religious leadership. In most instances the work is too large for the forces of the local church, unaided, and some plan must be found for touching with effective spiritual inspiration, the life of these

future leaders in the period of receptivity.

The obligations that have been thus broadly stated, lay upon the Church an imperative demand for farseeing and generous investments in our educational plans. To those whom a kind Providence has entrusted large means, there can be no more fruitful and inviting investment, than an expenditure of money in the development of Christian manhood and womanhood, fitted for the great tasks of the Kingdom of God. That our Church is beginning to awaken to this pressing demand of the hour is evident from the generous contributions, larger and smaller, which have made possible the auspicious opening of the two great universities of the Church at Atlanta and Dallas, each with resources amounting to more than \$2,000,000, and with an encouraging patronage. We rejoice in this forward movement in the Church at large and look with hope and confidence to large additions to these beginnings so that the crowning institutions of our educational system may be equal in scope and equipment to any other universities in our country. We would urge all our young men looking toward the ministry, after finishing their college courses, to avail themselves of the opportunities afforded in the schools of theology connected with the Southern Methodist University, in whose territory our Conference lies under the arrangement of the Commission.

In this connection, we would urge our young preachers to make full use of the Correspondence Schools in the Dallas Department, taking their Conference courses throughout this method. Unquestionably, the value of the training involved in such a

course is out of all proportion to the moderate fees required for instruction.

We would emphasize also the value and benefits of the Seashore Divinity School and encourage the attendance of our preachers upon its sessions. We regret the inability of the Board, through pressing obligations, to make direct appropriations toward its maintenance, and the consequent necessity of continuing the plan of providing for it through personal contributions. We commend the work being done by the Seashore Camp Ground School and rejoice in its growing patronage.

The heart of our educational problem is to be found, for Louisiana, in the pressing needs and imperative demands of our colleges. We ask earnest attention to this central

need.

MANSFIELD FEMALE COLLEGE.

We congratulate the Church throughout the State upon the excellent work being done by the College for girls. It asks for the patronage of the Methodists of the State, not alone because it is our college, but upon its merits, and we are persuaded that by thoroughness of work as well as by those influences and teachings which develop noble character, its merits the patronage of our people and the enthusiastic co-operation of our ministry. We learn with pleasure that it is self-sustaining and is growing in efficiency and patronage. If the patronage it deserves can be secured, its outlook for a

prosperous and useful future is sure. The one acute problem facing the Conference with reference to Mansfield College at present is due to the fact that when the issue of bonds was provided for to secure its indebtedness, no adequate provision was made for the regular payment of the bonds and interest. The Conference at that time refused to increase sufficiently the educational assessment, and after paying the amount due to Centenary Board has had left each year from the Mansfield indebtedness a sum less than the current bond and interest by several hundred dollars. Borrowing to meet this deficit, we have fallen further behind each year, until the present Board at its organization last year found an empty treasury and obligations amounting to nearly two thousand dollars falling due immediately. Friends of the College have generously helped to tide these obligations over, but at this time this amount must be met, and other obligations amounting to as much more will shortly fall due. Against this your Board only has in sight the balance from the year's collections, which will amount to probably less than two thousand dollors, leaving no provision for the obligations which will fall due before next year's collections begin to come in. Several thousand dollars must be secured at once to pay these immediate claims, and thus save the credit of the Conference and the Church as well as the welfare of the school. The Board has already secured some per sonal subscriptions from friends toward this needed sum. If this can be provided for, and the regular collection be increased, there should be no further difficulty in this matter.

CENTENARY COLLEGE.

At Centenary College in Shreveport, we have an institution of great possibilities and promise, as well as serious problems. The work now being done is equal in grade, thoroughness and discipline to that of any institution in the State, and is by its Christian atmosphere and definite influence furnishing elements of the greatest importance and that are furnished by few institutions in this section. The teaching force is excellent, and but for two handicaps, viz., lack of adequate funds and larger patronage, Centenary would easily rank with the best colleges. One element that adds to the acuteness of our problem is the fact that following the present session every Methodist college will be required to be classified under the regulations of the Central Board, whose specified requirements are that the college shall have a regular income of \$5000 per year aside from tuition and fees. In order to meet this requirements and secure proper classification, we must at once secure a reliable income of some three thousand dollars additional to present resources. A united and enthusiastic co-operation on the part of the pastors and presiding elders can secure the increased patronage that the college needs and deserves. As has been suggested, Centenary's financial problem is critical and pressing. In order to maintain the institution for any considerable period as an efficient college, as well as meet the demands of the Board as to classification, we must at once provide a regular income of \$3000 per year, additional, and make material addition to our equipment. The special assessment for Centenary which was levied last year which secured a little more than half the sum assessed, was from the nature of the case a temporary expident.

The basis for permanent mantenance and advance of our educational work must be through a careful and efficient working of our regulr assessments. If we will by the careful instruction of our people in the importance of this obligation, and the proper attention to it in the securing and distributing of the collectons, raise even the present assessment of \$70000 for Conference Education in full, we can upon that basis, in addition to meeting current obligations on Mansfield indebtedness, add the necessary three thousand dollars to the income of Centenary. It is time for the Conference to consider the wisdom of raising this assessment, which amounts to less than twenty cents a member, to a sum worthy of the obligation of the Conference to meet the pressing claim of Christian education. The General Board of Education estimates that if the assessment on the Church for General Conference Education, which is helping in so many ways, were raised in full, they would have an additional \$35,0000, with which to support their work.

We can not, however, depend upon the assessment alone to meet the requirements in the quipment of a college under modern conditions. We must find large individual contributions. The campaign proposed at the last Conference for endowment has been hindered seriously by general financial conditions, as well as by some particular difficulties. The Board has tried first of all to lay the matter and its importance emphatically upon the conscience of the Church by persistent campaign of information, and we have reason to believe that many people are thinking more seriously of the problem. Mr. C. W. Blair of Shreveport has offered to give \$2500 to the College on January 1, next, on condition that the Methodists of the State raise \$12,500 in addition. This challenge

must be met, not only as tangible evidence that we are interested in the vital matter of Christian Education, but because the \$15,000 thus secured would add new confidence in our plans and would secure much needed improvements and assist in adequate maintenance while we are working out a permanent endowment plan. We still have several thousand dollars to raise on this proposition. In order to secure the permanent basis desired it will be necessary for some one of large vision and whom God has entrusted with large means to give such a sum as will be a real challenge and inspiration to the liberality of our people as a whole. Such givers have been found in other States and their wise gifts have secured our great institutions. Why should Louisiana be behind her neighbors? Others must give their smaller offerings until we have adequately met this imperative demand. There are doubtless a hundred Methodists in Louis ana who could upon easy terms give \$1000 to this endowment. There are thousands who can give smaller sums.

The first step in the campaign must be to get our people earnestly interested in this work. The responsibility for this leadership rests necessarily upon the pastors and presiding elders. If we are thoroughly aroused we can lead our people with us. This has been demonstrated by the remarkable success of our orphanage enterprise. Because our people and preachers believe in caring for orphans. We have raised, without assessment this year \$14,000 for the Orphanage. For our educational enterprises, which are necessarily much larger in financial needs and certainly not less important, we have raised on regular and special assessment about half as much. Let us put into our educational work the same persistent enthusiasm and we cannot fail to have similar success.

One of the means by which we may lay the educational work before our people in a most effective way is to secure the interest of the Sunday schools. We propose to plan an "Educational Day" in our Sunday schools, and without taking a collection, try to interest the boys and girls in definite work for our educational institutions. We will urge that our colleges be brought to the constant attention of the schools by illustrated advertisements of them, such as has been planned by the President of Mansfield College, and in other ways get the Sunday schools in touch with our Colleges.

We need to remind ourselves that the great dynamic in the promotion of our work is prayer, and to this end we urge a united and earnest campaign of prayer that the Lord of the harvest shall raise up laborers and givers for his harvest in the Christian training of our youth. In keeping with the recommendation of the General Board we suggest the setting apart of the Thursday before the fourth Sunday in February as a special day of prayer for colleges.

The Board recommends the appointment of W. W. Drake as Conference Secreary

We also request the Bishop to appoint a commissioner of Education for each district to co-operate with the Conference Secretary in the promotion of our educational work, and that a layman be appointed in each district to co-operate with the said commissioner. We recommend that the Conference Secretary, with the co-operation of the members of the Board and presiding elders be instructed to collect at the District Conference, or otherwise, not less than \$150 as the share of the Louisiana Conference in the support of the Seashore Divinity School.

We recommend that the General Board be requested to appropriate \$1000 to Mans-

field Female College.

We recommend that the third Sunday in March, or as near thereto as possible, be set apart as "Education Day" in our Sunday schools, when our educational work shall be presented through a suitable program, and without asking for the Sunday school collection, seek to enlist the scholars in definite work for our Colleges.

We recommend that the assessment for Conference Education be fixed at \$10,000,

and apportioned as follows:

The assessment for General Conference Education fixed by the General Board is \$1890, and the total amount is apportioned as follows:

Districts—
Alexandria\$1716.00
Baton Rouge
Lafayette 1653.00
Monroe 1412.00
New Orleans 1540.00
Ruston 1947.00
Shreveport 1873.00
Total\$11.890.00

We recommend the following appointments:

Dr. R. H. Wynn as President of Centenary College; Rev. H. T. Carley as Professor in Centenary College; H. W. Jamieson as student in Centenary College; F. E. Few as student in Emory University; Rev. F. N. Parker, D. D., as Professor in Emory University.

Rev. W. H. Coleman is recommended for confirmation as a trustee of Centenary

College.

We recommend the following as trustees of Mansfield Female College:

Clerical-W. W. Holmes, W. H. Coleman, T. H. Morris, K. W. Dodson, J. G. Snell-

ing, W. R. Harvell, N. E. Joyner, H. N. Brown, J. M. Brown, W. F. Henderson.

Lay—J. H. Thatcher, R. T. Moore, J. T. Nelson, H. T. Liverman, D. W. D. Haas,
A. P. Taliaferro, Dr. W. A. Nabors, Frank Hunter, Dr. J. M. Middleton, O. H. Hordon,
Jno. B. Williams, Jr., D. C. Boyd, W. P. Hale, C. B. Hicks, S. A. Kidd, R. E. Bobbitt.

We commend the plan of the General Board for a connectional loan fund for

Ministerial Education, and hope later to levy an assessment to meet their suggestion.

J. M. HENRY, President.

W. WINANS DRAKE, Secretary.

STATISTICAL SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Question 23—What is the number of Local Preachers and members in the several circuits, stations and Missions of the Conference?

Answer-Local Preachers 67, decrease 1, members 36,690, increase 308.

Question 24—How many have been licensed to preach during the year, and have their names been furnished to the department of Ministerial Supply and Training? Answer-Three, yes.

Question 25—How many candidates for the ministry are there, and have their names and addresses been furnished to the department of Ministerial Supply and Training?

Answer-None.

Question 26—How many infants have been baptized during the year?

Answer—1040, decrease 175.

Question 27—How many adults have been baptized during the year? Answer—1313, decrease 222.

Question 28—What is the number of the Epworth Leagues?

Answer—69.

Question 29—What is the number of Epworth League Members?

Answer—2071, decrease 118.

Question 30—What is the number of Sunday Schools? Answer—324, decrease 27. Question 31—What is the number of officers and Teachers?

Answer—2678, decrease 65.

Question 32—What is the number of Sunday school scholars enrolled during the year?

Answer-30,270, decrease 131.

Question 33—What amount was assessed by the last Conference for the support of the Superannuate preachers, and the Widows and Orphans of preachers?

Answer-\$7000.

Question 34—What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Answer-\$3831.00, increase \$19.00. Distributed to Conference Claimants.

Question 35—What has been contributed for Missions?

Answer—Foreign Missions \$4589 on assessment, increase \$259; on Specials \$195, decrease \$1408. Total paid for Foreign Missions \$4784, decrease \$1149; Home and Conference Missions \$5536. incerase \$94; Specials \$392, decrease \$298. Total Conference Missions \$5928, decrease \$204.

Question 36-What has been contributed for Church Extension?

Answer—\$2426; Special \$18. Total \$2444, increase \$10. Question 37—What has been contributed for Education? Answer—\$3903, decrease \$811; Centenary Special \$3240.

Question 38-What has been contributed for the American Bible Society?

Answer—\$390, increase \$3.

Question 39-What has been contributed for the support of Presiding Elders and the Preachers in charge?

Answer-Presiding Elders, \$16,247, increase \$206. Preachers in charge, \$109,226, increase \$1235.

Question 40—What has been contributed for the support of Bishops?

Answer-\$886, decrease \$130.

Question 41-What is the number of Societies, and of houses of worship owned by them?

Answer-Number of Societies 406, decrease 13; Houses of Worship 339, de-

crease 12.

Question 42-What is the value of houses of worship, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon?

Answer-Value \$1,355,622. decrease \$10,150; indebtedness \$119,604. decrease \$18,865.

Question 43-What is the number of Pastoral charges, and of parsonages owned by them?

Answer-Pastoral Charges 152, increase 6; parsonages 118, decrease 4.

Question 44-What is the value of parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon?

Answer-Value \$225,219, decrease \$3911; indebtedness \$19,142, decrease \$1307. Question 45-What is the number of Districts, and of District Parsonages?

Answer—District 7, parsonages 5. Question 46—What is the value of District Parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon?

Answer-Value \$23,000; indebtedness \$6940.

Question 47-What number of churches have been damaged or destroyed during the year by fire or storm, and what was the amount of damage?

Answer—Damaged 11; amount of damage \$24,808. Question 48—What are the insurance statistics?

Answer-Insurance carried \$601,625; Premiums paid \$1951; collected on losses \$1991.

Question 49-What are the educational statistics?

Answer-Centenary College, value \$122,500, indebtedness \$4500, professors 6, Pupils 82. Mansfield College, value \$60,000, indebtedness \$22,000, professors 13, pupils 133.

Questions 50-How many copies of the General Organ, and of the Conference Organ are taken?

Answer-General Organ 256, Conference Organ 1637.

Signed: ROBT. W. VAUGHAN, Statistical Secretary.

G. A. Morgan, J. L. Williams, H. T. Young, C. V. Breithaupt, Thomas Carter, H. W. Cudd, Assistants.

Asbury Centenary.—The Committee on Program for the Asbury Centenary was named by the chair as follows: S. H. Werlein, Chairman, C. A. Battle, and F. R. Hill, Jr.

Adjournment-It was moved that we do now adjourn to meet at 7:30 p.m. The motion prevailed and Conference adjourned with the Benediction by H. W. May.

EVENING SESSION.

Convening.—Conference convened pursuant to adjournment at 7:30 p. m., Bishop Atkins in the chair.

Devotional Service.—The opening devotional service was conducted by J. G. Snelling, and consisted of singing Hymn 78, "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty," reading Psalm 1, prayer by R. A. Davis, and reading Psalm LVI.

Approval, of Minutes.—The Minutes of the afternoon session were read and approved.

Joint Board of Finance.—The reports of the Joint Board of Finance was received and adopted as follows:

REPORT No. 1, JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE.

	The	assessments	for the	year	1916	are as	follows:		
For	Bisho	os						\$1791.0	00
For	Confe	rence Claimai	its					7000.0	00
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FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

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Received from Pastoral Charges	3669 00	
Received from Legal Conference	750.00	
Received from Superannuate Endowment Fund	170.00	
Received from Publishing House	330.00	
Received from Colvin Fund		- \$4932.00
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DISTRIBUTED AS FOLLOWS:		
To-		
R. S. Isbell	225.00	
J. F. Wynn	225.00	
F. G. Hocutt		
M. G. Jenkins	150.00	
J. H. Brown	200.00	
J. L. P. Sheppard	206.00	
H. Armstrong	125.00	
J. F. Patterson	200.00	
J. A. Parker	225.00	
T. S. Randle	206.00	
R. A. Davis	200.00	
F. N. Sweeney	100.00	
J. T. Sawyer	200.00	
S. L. Riggs	150.00	
Mrs. T. B. White	50.00	
Mrs. J. D. Adams	150.00	
Mrs. P. M. Goodwin	195.00	
Mrs. J. L. Borden	100.00	
Mrs. W. Weimar	100.00	
Mrs. J. W. Medlock	120.00	
Mrs. G. M. Liverman	100.00	
Mrs. G. E. Green	100.00	•
Mrs. Jesse Fulton	115.00	
Mrs. E. W. Yancey	130.00	
Mrs. E. B. Foust	100.00	
Mrs. E. E. Riggs	125.00	
Mrs. C. T. Munholland	100.00	
Mrs. R. C. Grace	125.00	
Mrs. J. M. Franklin	50.00	
Mrs. M. C. Manley	125.00	
Mrs. S. H. Whatley	150.00	
Mrs. Wilson Moore	135.00	•
Mrs. H. O. White	155.00-	\$4762.00
RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.		
Received for Conference Claimants\$		
Received for Bishops		
Received for Minutes	319.00	
Received for Superannuate Endowment Fund	432.00—	\$6589.00
Daid Confessor Chimant	4500.00	
Paid Conference Claimants\$		
Paid Sinking Fund	180.00	
Paid Bishops	896.00	
Paid Superannuate Endowment Fund	432.00	00500.00
Paid Minutes	319.00	\$6589.00
SINKING FUND ACCOUNT.		
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Balance on hand from 1914	•	
Paid F. N. Sweeney	50.00	
Balance on hand November 17, 1915	2979 09	
Apportioned for 1916	180.02	6 425 00
	100.00	φ 400.02

Paid L. I. McCain	
Paid C. F. Staples	25.00
Total Sinking Fund for 1916	\$333 02

J. D. HARPER, President. R. S. WALTON, Secretary.

REPORT No. 2, JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE.

The apportionment of assessments are as follows:

		Conference	Pub.	Superannuate
District—	Bishops	Claimants	Minutes	Endowment Fund
Alexandria	\$258.00	\$1010.00	\$72.00	\$173.00
Baton Rouge	264.00	1031.00	74.00	176.00
Lafayette		973.00	69.00	167.00
Monroe		829.00	59.00	142.00
New Orleans	232.00	907.00	65.00	156.00
Ruston		1147.00	82.00	197.00
Shreveport	282.00	1103.00	79.00	189.00
	\$1791.00	\$7000.00	\$500.00	\$1200.00

J. D. HARPER, President. R. S. WALTON, Secretary.

Joint Board of Finance.—J. D. Harper moved that the Treasurer of the Joint of Finance be authorized to remit the amounts due claimants by check. The motion prevailed.

New Orleans Depository.—The following resolution was passed:

Resolved, that in order to settle any misunderstanding in reference to the use of the Methodist Depository in New Orleans the Board of Trustees of said Depository be instructed not to interfere with the use by the Publisher of the Christian Advocate of all but the first floor of the building.

W. WINANS DRAKE, F. S. PARKER.

Church Extension.—Report No. 2 of the Board of Church Extension was read and adopted as follows:

REPORT No. 2 OF THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

Considering the fact that a larger fund is available than at first reported to our Board and the fact that sufficient funds remain in the treasury for the purpose, we, your Board of Church Extension, desire to amend the appropriations heretofore made by appropriating to Gibsland Charge the sum of \$100.

Respectfully submitted,

K. W. DODSON, President. C. D. ATKINSON. Secretary.

Sabbath Observance.—The report of the Committee on Sabbath Observance was read and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

The law of the Sabbath rests upon the command of God and the universal need of mankind. Since the dawn of human history, this universal need of mankind has been observed among those nations that reach the highest development. God's law first delivered to his people commanded that the Sabbath should be kept holy as a day of worship and rest. As those believing in God and striving to better the conditions of mankind, we declare that it is the duty of all people to observe this day of God and of human needs.

We deplore the fact that many people turn the Sabbath into a day of amusement and sometimes sinful indulgences, and many others make it a day of barter and trade. One is as inexcusable as the other, and we urge, therefore, that the preachers of our Conference deliver sermons on this subject calling our people's attention to this wilful violation of God's law. We also urge our laymen to co-operate with the ministers in their effort to have the Sabbath day more righteously observed.

We endorse the Sunday League of America and rejoice in the nation wide interest in the observance of the Sabbath as a day of worship.

C. D. ATKINSON, Chairman. GEO. S. SEXTON, W. E. THOMAS, Secretary.

Railroad Secretary.—The report of the Railroad Secretary was received as follows; and on motion of Briscoe Carter, the Secretary was discharged as requested by himself:

REPORT OF THE RAILROAD SECRETARY.

At the Annual Conference of 1914 held in Shreveport, La., I was elected, at the request of the Laymen, as Conference Railroad Secretary of the Louisiana Conference.

During the month of July, 1915, I took up with the several Railroads, and with the Southwestern Passenger Association, the matter of obtaining reduced rates over the railroads for delegates to this Conference. I presented to them the facts as to the probable number to attend the Conference; the number of preachers and the number of Laymen.

After considerable correspondence during a perior of several weeks, I was advised that, as the question of reduced rates depended on the number of Laymen to attend the Conference, and, as the number of Laymen would probably not exceed fifty, the Railroads could not grant the reduced rates.

It is evident, therefore, that unless the ministers of the Conference will agree to use the reduced rates, in coming to Conference, instead of their credentials, it will be impossible to obtain reduced rates for the Laymen.

I submit, therefore, that, unless such a change is made, nothing can be done by a Railroad Secretary, and his continuance is unnecessary.

ROBERT O. RANDLE,

Conference Railroad Secretary.

Legal Conference.—The Report of the Treasurer of the Legal Conference was received and ordered to record with the report of auditor as follows:

REPORT OF THE LEGAL CONFERENCE.

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To Legal Conference, Louisiana Annual Conference, I submit as my report the following:
Bills receivable—Note proceeds of Bynum Place \$40,000.00 Bills receivable—Various Loans paid 1,303.70 Interest on Loans Maturing 898.93 Bills Payable (City Bank and Trust Co.) 800.00 Rentals Bynum Place 914.92 Rentals, Franklinton Property 160.00 Received, account storm damage Church in New Orleans 152.07
Overdraft (City Bank and Trust Co.)
City Bank and Trust Company\$ 250.00
Bills receivable including loan on Bynum Place
Disbursed, Bynum Place
Overdraft, Forward, 1914
Rent for Franklinton Property Balance Fund
Interest to City Bank and Trust Co
Expense 165.55
Storm Damage Churches, New Orleans

Respectfully,

S. H. MEYER, Treasurer.

80.00

750.00

\$44,426.13

New Orleans, La., Nov. 15, 1915.

Legal Conference Committee, Lcuisiana Conference, New Orleans, La.

Gentlemen: This is to certify that the undersigned has audited the books of

Board of Missions

Joint Board of Finance......

Mr. S. H. Meyer, Treasurer of the Legal Conference Committee, and	foun	d same cor	rect.
The Bills Receivable or outstanding Loan account amounts	to	\$58,240.90.	All
loans are secured by notes and collaterals and are as follows:			

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Mrs. Anna Stock et als\$ 500.00
C. B. Fee
C. B. Fee (accrued interest)
Householders Building and Repair Co 3,000.00
John J. Jurisch 200.00
Mary A. Gray 600.00
Crowley Methodist Church 2,000.00
Crowley Methodist Church
Crowley Methodist Church 125.07
W. W. Duson
Geo. A. Leroy
John E. Gorman
Mrs. V. Goery 500.00
Est. N. Zagairre 800.00
Josephine C. Christian 600.00.
W. A. Robinson 5,000.00
Josephine C. Christian 75.00
John E. Gorman 250.00
John J. Donovan
Louisiana Conference Board of Education 660.00
Red River Land and Cattle Co40,000.00
Total\$58,240.90

Respectfully,

G. H. WASSON, Auditor.

District Conference Records.—The report of Committee on District Conference Records was received as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON DISTRICT CONFERENCE RECORDS.

We your Committee on District Conference Records beg leave to submit the following report:

The Journal of the Shreveport District is nearly kept, but the Secretary observes no margin, and has omitted the official roll.

The Ruston District Record is neatly kept and is in good form. -

The Alexandria District Record is in good form, but there are too many abbre-

viations and the penmanship is not good.

The Record of the New Orleans District is beautifully kept, but is in loose leaf form, the wisdom of which your Committee doubts, for the reason that records of this nature are too easily lost.

The Records of the Baton Rouge and Monroe Districts were not before us Respectfully,

J. CUDE ROUSSEAUX, W. W. PERRY, L. C. WILSON.

Committee.

Representative Church.—The report of the special Committee on the Representative Church was received and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON REPRESENTATIVE CHURCH.

We, your Special Committee on the Representative Church for all of our people in Washington, D. C., recommend that as a Conference we heartly endorse the enterprise which was so ably presented by the special agent, Rev. S. S. McKenney.

We believe that men of means in the South should respond liberally to the appeal that is being made for this cause. We most heartily endorse the expressed wish of the General Conference to erect a building, costing at least five hundred thousand dollars, such a building, as would rightly represent the loyalty of our people to our government and their devotion to Almighty God.

We recommend that the preachers of our Conference bring this enterprise to the attention of people who have means, urging them to make such contributions as will

enable those who have the matter in charge to bring it to a speedy and successful conclusion.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. HENRY, Chairman. ROBERT O. RANDLE, Secretary.

Missions.—The report of the Board of Missions was received and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

We submit herewith the report of your Board. Notwithstanding world troubles, wars and rumors of war, we are pleased to state that the work in the foreign fields has met with the blessings of our Heavenly Father, and our missionaries have been inspired

by strong faith and splendid zeal.

In the home field, particularly in our own Conference, our missionares have done a very fine and effective work. We commend most heartily the zeal, energy, and intelligent effort of our missionaries in the French territory, Brothers Hebert and Breithaupt. For the enlargement and better support of this work and of our foreign missionary work, we earnestly urge upon all our preachers the importance of the everymember canvass, and we suggest that they complete this in January, 1916, or earlier if possible. We would also advise that they enlist the active co-operation of the Laymen's Missionary Committee.

We recommend the appointment of Rev. N. E. Joymer as Conference Missionary

Secretary.

We have received the following figures from the Auditing Board: Foreign Missions Special Foreign Missions from Sunday Schools	96.00
Home and Conference Missions	
After deducting the amount belonging to the Home Department of the Board, we have appropriated the remainder as follows: Alexandria District—	\$5,465.00 General
Natchitoches	•
Springfield Mission Denham Springs Hammond	75.00
Monroe District—	\$300.00
West Monroe	
New Orleans District—	\$325.00
Epworth Church Felicity Louisiana Avenue Second Church Plaquemine	300.00 250.00 125.00
Shreveport District—	\$1,250.00
Queensboro	\$ 250.00 200.00
T. Samuella Dintaia	\$450.00
Lafayette District— Evangeline Mission	

Jennings	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		50.00
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\$950.00

The following apportionments have been made in the matter of the assessments for Home and Foreign Missions for the various Districts:

	Foreign	Home
Alexandria District\$	1,436.00	\$1876.00
Baton Rouge District 1	,465.00	1,914.00
Lafayette District 1	,383.00	1,807.00
Monroe District 1	,178.00	1,539.00
New Orleans District 1	,289.00	1,685.00
Ruston District 1	,631.00	2,130.00
Shreveport District 1	,568.00	2,049.00
\$9	950 00	\$13,000.00

Submitted for the Board,

H. N. HARRISON, Secretary.

Evangelism.—The report of the Committee on Evangelism was received and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM.

Believing the work of saving souls to be the most important work in which the Church is engaged, and that the Evangelistic effort to bring men to Christ will be greatly aided by some uniform and co-operative plan, we beg as your Committee on Evangelism that the Conference pass the following resolution:

First—That the first quarter of our Conference year be spent in prayer and organization to the end that a campaign for winning men to Christ be inaugurated in every charge as far as possible by April the first. That the pastor of each charge choose and instruct a corps of consecrated men and women to do personal work with the unsaved in their respective charges.

Second-That the Presiding Elders lend their help by calling a meeting of the

preachers in each district early in the year to plan for this campaign.

The Committee desires to be all the help possible in the work, and will be glad to render service in assisting the pastors in securing other pastors or Evangelists for revival work.

Respectfully submitted,

J. G. SNELLING, Chairman. ROBERT O. RANDLE, Secretary. H. N. BROWN, VAN CARTER.

Race-Track Gambling.—The following resolution was adopted:

Whereas, Race-track gambling is a great social and moral evil; and

Whereas, Gambling is declared by the Constitution of Louisiana to be a vice, which the General Assembly shall enact Laws to suppress; and

Whereas, Forty-six States have already enacted such laws; and

Whereas, Our General Assembly passed such a law in 1908;
Be it therefore resolved, That the Louisiana Annual Conference respectfully request Governor Hall, as the chief executive of our State, to exercise his authority in the enforcement of the Locke Law against race-track gambling.

Resolved, That we hereby express our hearty commendation for Governor Hall's recent efforts in Jefferson Parish, for the maintenance of the laws against gambling.

S. H. WERLEIN.

Education.—The report of the Treasurer of the Board of Education was received and adopted as follows:

BOARD OF EDUCATION TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts— Centenary Special Brown Supscription Cards Education Assessment	309.70
Total	\$7,232.41
Disbursements— To R. H. Wynn, Centenary Special	\$2,709.71

To Paul M. Brown, back selary Expenses of Board R. H. Wynn, Centenary Mansfield Bond of January, 1915 Loaned out on Note to Legal Conference To General Board		260.55 1,600.00 1,315.39 150.00
Total Balance in Bank	• • • • •	143.56
	\$	37.232.41

C. A. BATTLE, Treasurer, Board of Education.

Motion for Sunday Sessions.—It was moved that when we adjourn we adjourn to meet at 2:30 p. m., to-morrow in memorial session in memory of Brother Hoffpauir, Dr. H. M. Hamill, Dr. Gross Alexander, and Dr. C. F. Reed, and that we meet in final session at 7:30 p. m. The motion prevailed.

Conference Minutes.—The following resolution was passed:

Be it resolved that the Editor of the Conference Minutes be requested to publish on a prominent page all the standing rules of the Conference, and that he compile from the various Boards' reports a Conference Calendar for the Conference.

A. INMAN TOWNSLEY, F. N. PARKER, THOMAS H. MORRIS, J. A. McCORMICK.

Adjournment.—It was moved that we do now adjourn. The motion prevailed and Conference stood adjourned for the Missionary Anniversary immediately to follow.

FIFTH DAY

SUNDAY MORNING

The Conference Love Feast was led by J. L. P. Sheppard; following which morning service was conducted by Bishop Atkins. After a sermon by the Bishop, Thomas Lyle Bryson, Egbert Gunn Wood, John Lafayette Lay and Marvin Wesley Moncrief were ordained deacons, and A. L. Harper assumed the vows without reimposition of hands.

Several pulpits in the city were filled by members of the Conference, and in the afternoon a misionary meeting addressed by Mr. Breithaupt and Miss Walker was held in the Baptist Church.

The Conference met in memorial session at 2:30 p.m., when the memoir of Brother A. W. Hoffpauir, was read and the lives of Doctors, Hamil, Alexander, and Reid of the Connectional officers were also suitably remembered.

The memorial service was followed by a sermon by Dr. S. H. Werlein and the ordination as elders of Louis Hoffpauir, Simeon Duncan Roberts, Raleigh Verner Fulton, Gustave Virgilio Romano, Daniel Leonard Griffin, and Pinckney Alford Swann.

Convening.—Conference met pursuant to adjornment. Conference convened at 2:30 p.m., in memorial session, Rev. C. C. Miller in the chair.

Devotional Service.—After singing Hymn 315, "Nearer, My God to Thee," prayer by F. S. Parker, reading Psalm XC. by J. M. Brown, and singing Hymn 583, "Asleep in 'Jesus, blessed sleep," the purpose of the session was announced by the Chairman.

Question 21 was called: What preachers have died during the year?

Answer: A. W. Hoffrauir.

Memoirs.—R. H. Harper read the memoir of A. W. Hoffpauir. (See Appendix).

The memoir of H. M. Hamil was read by P. O. Lowry. No memoirs of the other deceased connectional officers were read.

J. D. Harper offered thanksgiving for the lives of the deceased brethren and the Conference stood adjourned for the sermon and ordination service.

SUNDAY EVENING

Convening.—Conference met pursuant to adjournment at 7:30 p.m. Bishop Atkins in the chair.

Devotional Service.—The opening devotional service was conducted by the Bishop, and consisted of singing Hymn 556, "Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love," and prayer led by S. H. Werlein.

Approval of Minutes.—The minutes of Saturday afternoon's and evening's and Sunday afternoon's sessions were read and approved.

Address by R. W. Vaughan.—The Conference was addressed by R. W. Vaughan, . Superintendent of the Louisiana Conference Orphanage.

Traveling Deacons.—Question 11: What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? was answered by the Bishop, who certified to the ordination by himself, following the sermon at morning service, of Thomas Lyle Bryson.

Local Deacons.—Question 13: What local preachers were ordained deacons? was answered by the Bishop, who certified to the ordination by himself, following the morning service, of Egbert Gunn Wood, John Lafayette Lay and Marvin Wesley Moncrief.

Assumption of Vows as Deacon.—The Bishop certified also that A. L. Harper had taken the vows as required for recognition of orders as deacon.

Traveling Elders.—Question 15: What traveling preachers are ordained elders? was answered by the Bishop who certified to the ordination by himself at the afternoon session assisted by elders present following a sermon by S. H. Werlein of Louis Hoffpauir, Simeon Duncan Roberts, Raleigh Verner Fulton, Gustave Virgilio Romano, and Daniel Leonard Griffin.

Local Elders—Question 17. What local preachers are ordained elders? was answered by the Bishop who certified to the ordination by himself following the afternoon sermon by Dr. Werlein of Pinkney Alford Swann.

Location.—Question 18. Who are located this year? was called Daniel Leonard Griffin, at his own request, made in writing.

Thanks.—The following resolution of thanks was passed by a rising vote:

RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

As an expression of our appreciation for the most cordial and generous entertainment received at the hands of the members of our own church and of other churches, we hereby extend to them our most sincere thanks and good wishes. We would also remember with the same thanks and good wishes Rev. T. H. Morris, the pastor, Miss McCoppin, the church organist, and the choir and Mansfield Female College students for the excellent music furnished at various times during the Conference sessions. We also express our due appreciation to the Times-Picayune and the several newspapers that have given out to the public generous reports of the proceedings of the sessions of our Conference, and to the banks for the use of adding machines and many helpful courtesies.

F. M. FREEMAN, F. S. PARKER, JNO. F. FOSTER.

Approval of Minutes.—The minute questions having been answered and the business of the Conference having been completed, the minutes of Saturday afternoon and evening's and Sunday afternoon and evening's sessions were read and approved.

Question 53 was called: Where are the preachers stationed this year? was answered by the Bishop, who read the appointments as follows: and Conference stood adjourned sine die.

APPOINTMENTS

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT.

	ing Elder4.
Alexandria, O. J. Chandler	Mellville, To be supplied by J. H. Montgomery
BATON ROUG	
H. W. Bowman, Pres	
Amite, H. T. Young	Kentwood, John Sholars
Clinton, A. J. Coburn	Springfield Mission, To be supplied by H. C. Murphy 2 Tangipahoa, J. L. Evans 2 Wilson, S. J. Davies 1 Zachary, R. V. Fulton 1 Chaplain of Penitentiary, H. S. Johns 8 Commissioners of Education, C. A. Battle, Walter Quinn.
LAFAYETTE	DISTRICT.
J. I. Hoffpauir, Presid	ling Elder 4
Abbeville, F. J. McCoy 1 Crowley, A. I. Townsley 1 Eunice, A. A. Bernard 3 Evangeline Mission, T. L. Bryson 1 Franklin, A. F. Vaughan 4 Gueydan, J. H. Hoffpauir 1 Houma Mission, C. V. Breithaupt 8 Indian Bayou, J. L. Lay 1 Jennings, W. R. McPherson 1 Lafayette, Wm. Schuhle 1 Lake Arthur, J. D. Nesom 1 Lake Charles, K. W. Dodson 4	Lafourche Mission, To be supplied by A. D. Martin and C. F. Starnes, Jr. Preacher. Morgan City, C. C. Wier. New Iberia, H. N. Brown. 1 Patterson and Jeanerette, M. C. Holt. 1 Rayne, C. E. Fike. 2 Sulphur and Vinton, Louis Hoffpauir. 1 St. Martinville, To be supplied French Missionary, Martin Hebert. 19 Commissioners of Education, A. I. Townsley, A. P. Holt.
MONROE D	DISTRICT.
A. S. Lutz, Presidin	g Elder1.
Bastrop and Collinston, O. L. Tucker 2 Bonita, A. D. George	Mer Rouge and Oak Ridge, W. R. Harvell

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	Gilbert, J. R. Roy 2 Lake Providence, C. C. Miller 1 Mangham, D. C. Barr 1 S. W. B. Colvin, Jr. Preacher 1 NEW ORLEAN	
	W. W. Holmes, Presi	ding Elder:2.
	Bogalusa, T. J. Warlick	Plaquemine and New Roads, G. P. White 4 Slidell, T. J. Embree
	Carrollton Avenue, N. E. Joyner 1 Epworth, C. M. Morris 1 Felicity, F. R. Hill 2 First Church, S. H. Werlein 3 Louisiana Avenue, A. J. Gearheard 2	General Secretary Epworth League, F. S. Parker
	Parker Memorial, R. H. Harper 3 Rayne Memorial, F. R. Hill, Jr 4 Second Church, J. A. Alford 1 St. Marks and Mary Werlein Mis-	Professors in Vanderbilt University, H. B. Carré
	sion, W. E. Thomas	Hill, Jr., Van Carter.
	St. Marks, Italian Preacher, G. V. Romano 2	Conference Missionary Secretary, N. E. Joyner.
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	Arcadia, E. K. Means	Plain Dealing, C. B. Powell
	Bienville, George D. Purcell	Ruston, J. M. Henry 2 Sibley, A. L. Harper 1 Simsboro, W. R. Smith 1
	Elmore, W. E. Akin 3 Gibbsland, J. G. Sloan 2 Haynesville, A. S. J. Neill 1 Haughton, J. M. Brown 4	Winfield, J. W. Lee
	G. D. Anders, Supernumerary 1 Homer, J. G. Snelling 2	Commissioners of Education, J. M. Henry, S. M. Collins.
	Jonesboro, G. A. Morgan	Conference Secretary of Education, W.
	SHREVEPOR	T DISTRICT.
	C. D. Atkinson, Presi	iding Elder1.
	Anacoco, A. C. Searcy 1 Bayou La Chute, J. F. Foster 1 Cedar Grove, W. F. Henderson, Jr 1 Coushatta, A. H. Parker 1 Grand Cane, L. C. Wilson 1	Shreveport, First Church, George Sexton 3 H. W. Jamieson, Jr. Preacher 1 Noel Memorial, R. W. Tucker 2 Texas Avenue, L. N. Hoffpauir 3 Queensborough, I. T. Reams 2
,	Greenwood, J. C. Rousseaux	South Mansfield, S. S. Holladay 2 Vivian, H. J. Boltz 1 Zwolle, T. D. Lipscomb 1
	Leesville, J. L. Williams 1 Logansport, F. B. Hill 1 Mansfield, A. G. Shankle 1 Many, S. D. Howard 2	Conference Field Sunday School Secretary, W. H. Coleman
	Mooringsport, W. F. Henderson 2 Noble, To be supplied by R. T. Ware 1 Pelican, F. R. Power 2 Pleasant Hill, B. T. Crews	Superintendent Anti-Saloon League, A. W. Turner
	Transferred: G. E. Cameron to Kent	tucky Conference; F. E. Few to Texas Con-
	ference.	JAMES ATKINS, President.

FITZGERALD S. PARKER, Secretary.

MINUTE QUESTIONS,

Question 1-Who are admitted on trial?

Answer—A. L. Harper, E. G. Wood, A. A. Phillips, F. B. Hill, Robert William Smith, Benjamin Harris Andrews, John Lafayette Lay, Arlington Clifford Searcy.

Question 2—Who remain on trial?

Answer-J. L. Evans, A. D. George, F. E. Few, W. R. McPherson.

Question 3-Who are discontinued?

Answer—R. L. Gilmer, J. E. Craig, J. E. Napper. Question 4—Who are admitted into full connection?

Answer-Thomas Lyle Bryson, William F. Henderson, Jr.

Question 5-Who are re-admitted?

Answer-M. C. Holt.

Question 6-Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Answer—O. J. Chandler (from Kentucky Conference); N. E. Joyner (from Mexican Border Conference).

Question 7—Who are received from other Churches as local preachers?

Answer-A. L. Harper (in Deacon's orders, from Methodist Episcopal Church).

Question 8—Who are received from other Churches as traveling preachers?

Answer-None.

Question 9-Who are the deacons of one year?

Answer-W. A. Mangham, W. B. Perritt, C. E. Fike, W. F. Roberts, J. L. Cady, W. J.Newsom, J. A. Alford.

Question 10-What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Answer-Tmohas Lyle Bryson.

Question 11—What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Answer-Thomas Lyle Bryson.

Question 12-What local preachers are elected deacons?

Answer-Egbert Gunn Wood, John Lafayette Lay, Marion Wesley Moncrief.

Question 13-What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Answer-Egbert Gunn Wood, John Lafayette Lay, Marion Wesley Moncrief.

Question 14—What traveling preachers are elected elders?

Answer-Louis Hoffpauir, Simeon Duncan Roberts, Raleigh Verner Fulton, Gustavo Virgilio Romano, Daniel Leonard Griffin.

Question 15—What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Answer-Louis Hoffpauir, Simeon Duncan Roberts, Raleigh Verner Fulton, Gustavo Virgilio Romano, Daniel Leonard Griffin.

Question 16-What local preachers are elected elders?

Answer-Pinkney Alford Swann.

Question 17-What local preachers are ordained elders?

Answer-Pinkney Alford Swann.

Question 18—Who are located this year?

Answer-E. C. Grice, Paul F. Daniels, D. L. Griffin.

Question 19—Who are supernumerary? Answer—C. M. Thompson, G. D. Anders.

Question 20—Who are superannuated?

Answer—R. S. Isbell, J. F. Wynn, F. G. Hocutt, M. G. Jenkins, J. H. Brown, J. L. P. Sheppard, H. Armstrong, J. F. Patterson, J. A. Parker, T. S. Randle, R. A. Davis, J. T. Sawyer, F. N. Sweeney, L. I. McCain, C. F. Staples.

Question 21-What preachers have died during the past year?

Answer—A. W. Hoffpauir.

Question 22—Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Answer—Their names were called and their characters passed one by one, except in the case of J. W. Harper, who was tried and expelled.

Question 23—What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Answer-Local preachers, 67; members, 36,690.

Question 24—How many have been licensed to preach during the year, and have their names and addresses been furnished to the Department of Ministerial Supply and Training?

Answer-Three. Yes.

Question 25-How many candidates for the ministry are there, and have their

names and addresses been furnished to the Department of Ministerial Supply and Training?

Answer-None.

Question 26-How many infants have been baptized during the year?

Answer-Infants baptized, 1,040.

Question 27—How many adults have been baptized during the year?

Answer-Adults baptized, 1,313.

Question 28—What is the number of Epworth Leagues?

Answer—69.

Question 29-What is the number of Epworth League members?

Answer-2,071.

Question 30-What is the number of Sunday schools?

Answer-324.

Question 31-What is the number of Sunday school officers and teachers?

Answer—2,678.

Question 32—What is the number of Sunday school scholars enrolled during the Conference year?

Answer-30,270.

Question 33—What amount was assessed by the last Conference for the super-annuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?

Answer—\$7,000.

Question 34—What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Answer—\$3,841. Distributed to Conference Claimants. Question 35—What has been contributed for Missions? Answer—Foreign, \$4,784; Home and Conference, \$5,928.

Question 36—What has been contributed for Church Extension?

Answer-\$2,426.

Question 37—What has been contributed for Education?

Answer-\$7,143 (Assm't 3903; Centenary 3240).

Question 38—What has been contributed for the American Bible Society?

Answer—\$390.

Question 39—What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge?

Answer—Presiding Elders, \$16,247; Preachers in Charge, \$109,226. Question 40—What has been contributed for the support of Bishops?

Answer-\$886.

Question 41—What is the number of societies, and of houses of worship owned by them?

Answer-Number of Societies, 406; Number of Houses of Worship, 339.

Question 42—What is the value of houses of worship, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon?

Answer—Value, \$1,355,622; Indebterness, \$119,604.

Question 43—What is the number of pastoral charges, and of parsonages owned by them?

Answer-Pastoral Charges, 152; Number of Parsonages, 118.

Question 44—What is the value of parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon?

Answer-Value, \$255,219; Indebtedness, \$19,142.

Question 45—What is the number of districts, and of district parsonages?

Answer-Number of Districts, 7; Number of District Parsonages.

Question 46—What is the value of district parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon?

Answer-Value, \$.....; Indebtedness,

Question 47—What number of churches have been damaged or destroyed during the year by fire or storm, and what was the amount of damage?

Answer-Number of Churches Damaged, 11; Amount of Damage, \$24,808.

Question 48—What are the insurance statistics?

Answer—Insurance Carried, \$601,625; Losses sustained, \$.....; Premiums Paid, \$1,951; Collections on Losses, \$1,991.

Question 49—What are the educational statistics?

Answer—Centenary College, value of property, \$122,500, endowment \$7,000, professors 5; pupils 82; Mansfield Female College, value of property \$61,000, professors 11, pupils 145.

Question 50-How many copies of the General organ and of the Conference organ are taken?

Answer—General Organ, 256; Conference Organ, 1,639. Question 51—Who is elected Conference Lay Leader, and what is the report from the Committee on Lay Activities?

Answer—W. S. Holmes. See Report.

Question 52—Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

Answer-Baton Rouge, La.

Question 53-Where are the preachers stationed this year?

Answer—See the Appointments.

CHRONOLOGICAL ROLL.

Abbreviations used: R, Readmitted; T, Transfer; FC, Full Connection; MPC, Methodist Protestant Church; CPC, Cumberland Presbyterian Church; CMC, Congregational Methodist Church; MEC, Methodist Episcopal Church; BC, Baptist Church.

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1	Wynn, J. F	Superannuated	FC., Dec., 1859	1859	1865
2	Davis, R. A	Superannuated	T, Jan., 1871	1866	1870
3	Randle, Robert	Effective	FC., Jan., 1871	1871	1873
4	Brown, J. M	Effective	T., Jan., 1873	1865	1867
5	Isbell, R. S	Superannuated	FC., Jan., 1875 FC., Jan., 1875	1874	1875
	Harper, J. D	Effective		1873	1876
	Randle, T. S	Superannuated		1875	1877
	Hocutt, F. G	Superannuated	FC., Jan., 1875 T., Dec., 1876	1870	1875
	Parker, J. A	Superannuated	FC., Dec., 1876	1864	1864
	Patterson, J. F	Superannuated	FC., Dec., 1880	1876	1879
	Sheppard, J. L. P	Superannuated	FC., Jan., 1886	1876	1882
	Davies, S. J	Effective	FC., Jan., 1886	1884 1886	1888
13	Barr, D. C	Effective	FC., Jan., 1887	1883	1888
14	Boltz, H. J	Effective	T., Jan., 1888	1886	1888
15	Bennett, J. O	Superannuated	T., Jan., 1888	1877	1879
16	Armstrong, H		FC., Jan., 1888	1888	1889
17	Parker, F. N	Effective	FC., Jan., 1888	1885	1889
	Hoffpauir, J. I	Effective	FC., Jan., 1888	1888	1889
19	Johns, H. S	Effective	FC., Dec., 1888	1888	1890
20	'May, H. W	Effective	T., Dec., 1889	1887	1889
21	Parker, F. S	Effective	FC., Dec., 1889	1883	1889
	Porter, W. J	Effective	FC., Dec., 1889	1889	1891
9/	Williams, J. B	Effective	FC., Dec., 1889	1889	1891
	Brown, J. H	Superannuated	T., Dec., 1890	1833	1887
	Foster, J. F	Effective	FC., Dec., 1890	1890	1892
27	Kelley, J. J	Effective	FC., Dec., 1890	1890	1893
	Staples, C. F	Superannuated	FC., Dec., 1890	1890	1892
	Schuhle, Wm	Effective	FC., Dec., 1891	1891	1893
	Drake, W. W	Effective	R., Dec., 1892	1890	1893
	Henry, J. M	Effective	FC., Dec., 1892	1891	1893
	Crews, B. T	Effective	T., Dec., 1893	1880	1882
33	Jenkins, M. G	Superannuated	T., Dec., 1893	1861	1870
34	Sheppard, B. H	Effective	FC., Dec., 1893	1890	1895
	Bogan, S. S	Effective	FC., Dec., 1893	1893	1895
36	ITucker, R. W	Effective	T., Dec., 1894 T., Dec., 1894	1890	1893
	Brown, P. M	Effective	FC., Dec., 1894	1893 1893	1896
	Wynn, R. H	Effective	FC., Dec., 1895	1895	1898
39	Lee, J. W.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1896	1896	1898
	Miller, C. C	Effective	FC., Dec., 1896	1896	1898
	I Vaughan, R. W	Effective	FC., Jan., 1898	1894	1902
42	Carter, Thos	Effective	FC., Dec., 1898	1898	1900
43	Turner, A. W	Effective	FC., Dec., 1898	1894	1901
44	Neill, A. S. J	Effective	FC., Dec., 1898	1898	1900
45	Wier, C. C	Effective	FC., Dec., 1898	1896	1900
4	6 Lowrey, P. O	Effective	T., Dec., 1899	1892	1894
4	Sweeney, F. N	Superannuated	FC., Dec., 1889	1900	1902
40	Coburn, A. J	Effective	T., Dec., 1900	1899	1907
50	Purcell, G. D	Effective	FC., Dec., 1900	1898	1903
51	Hebert, Martin	Effective	FC., Dec., 1900	1900	1904
59	2 Harvell, W. R	Effective	FC., Dec., 1900	1898	1906
55	Carter, Briscoe	Effective	T., Dec., 1901	1889	1891
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5	Brown, H. N.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1901	1901	1903
56	Sisloan, J. G	Effective	FC., Dec., 1901	1901	1906
57	Roy, J. R	Effective	T., Dec., 1902	1892	1895

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60	Means, E. K	Effective	T.,		1903	1902	1906
61	Bowman, H. W	Effective	T.,	Dec.,	1903	1893	1895
62	Waltman, J. F	Effective			1903	1899	1899
621	Cargill, E. L	Effective	FC.,	Dec	1903	1903	1906
64	Kleinschmidt, W. D		FC.,		1903	1902	1906
04	Hoffpauir, L. N	Effective			1904	1901	1901
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00	Howard, S. D	Effective	FC.			1	1901
67	Carre, H. B				1904	1897	
68	Riggs, S. L	Effective	FC.,		1904	1904	1906
69	Coleman, W. H	Effective	FC.,		1904	1904	1906
70	Nesom, J. D	Effective	FC.,		1904	1904	1907
71	Fontaine, P. H	Effective	T.,	Jan.,	1906	1898	1902
72	Sutton, J. L	Effective	FC.,	Jan.,	1906	1902	1912
73	Rutledge, J. S	Effective	FC.,	Jan.,	1906	1901	1907
741	Freeman, F. M	Effective	FC.,	Jan	1906	1906	1908
751	Holmes, W. W	Effective	FC.		1905	1901	1907
70	Hill, Felix R	Effective	T.,	,	1906	1865	1867
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77	Shankle, A. G	1	T.,		1906	1901	1901
78	Vaughan, A. F						1902
80	Lutz, A. S	Effective	T.,		1906	1894	
81	Carley, H. T	Effective	T.,		1906	1903	1906
821	Townsley, A. I	Effective	FC.,		1906	1904	1908
83	Harrison, H. N	Effective	FC.,		1906	1906	1908
84]]	Booth, J. W	Effective	FC.,	Dec.,	1906	1904	1908
85 1	Holladay, T. J	Effective	FC.,	Dec.,	1907	1907	1912
86.1	Fulton, J. B		FC.,		1907	1907	1909
871	Harper, R. H		FC		1907	1907	1909
	Alford, J. M		T.,		1907	1894	1902
2017	Doss, Jr., W. L		FC.,		1908	1908	1910
0012	Sholars, John				1908	1908	1910
			FC.,			1891	1893
91 1	Reames, I. T		T.,		1908	,	1902
92 1	Ledbetter, H. W		T.,		1908	1899	
93 8	Skipper, V. D		Т.,		1908	1884	1887
94 I	Price, J. C	Effective	CMC.	Dec.,	1908	1908	1908
95 F	Holladay, S. S	Effective	CMC.	Dec.,	1908]	1908	1908
96 F	Powell, C. B	Effective	CMC.	Dec.,	1908	1908	1908
97 E	Bonnett, A. J	Effective	CMC.	Dec.,	1908	1908	1908
98 E	Breithaupt, C. V				1909	1909	1911
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100 F	Battle, C. A				1909	1909	1911
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107 S		Superannuated			1910	1875	1876
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118 P	ower, F. R				1910		1912
119 V	andenburg, H. B	Effective	Г.,	Dec.,	1907	1894	1899

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$\overline{120}$	Cudd, H. W	Effective		Dec., 1911	1911	1913
121	Newsom, Wm. J	Third Year Class	FC.,	Dec., 1911	1911	1
122	Rousseaux, J. C	Effective	FC.	Dec., 1911	1909	1913
123	Alford, J. A	Third Year Class	FC.	Dec., 1911	1911	
	Faulk, J. W	Effective			1907	1912
125	Hill, Jr., F. R			Dec., 1911	1890	1392
	Anders, G. D		T.,	Dec., 1911	1888	1893
	Thompson, C. M	Supernumerary	T.,	Dec., 1911	1894	1896
	Morris, T. H			Dec., 1911	1893	1895
129	Perry, W. W	Effective	T.,	Dec., 1911	1905	1907
130	White, G. P	Effective	FC.,	Dec., 1912	1892	1901
	Jamieson, H. W	Effective	FC.,	Dec., 1912	1912	1914
132	Brown, R. M	Effective	FC.,	Dec., 1912	1912	1914
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	Embree, T. J	Effective	FC.,	Dec., 1912	1912	1914
	Tucker, O. L	Effective	FC.,	Dec., 1912	1912	1914
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137	Woodward, W. T	Effective	R.,	Dec., 1912	1892	1903
138	Henry, W. S	Effective	T.,	Dec., 1912	1904	1906
139	Thomas, W. E	Effective	T.,	Dec., 1912		1015
140	Fulton, R. V	Effective	FC.,	Dec., 1913	1913	1915
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143 1	Bernard, A. A	Effective	R.,	Dec., 1913	• • • •	• • • •
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	Roberts, W. F	Fourth Year Class			1914	• • • •
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156 B	Bryson. Thos. L	I MIL G I COLL			1915	1000
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158 C	Colvin, S. W. B	Effective	R.,	Dec., 1914	• • • •	

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7	Hill, F. B	First Year Class	1915
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Pilley, W. B	.Elder	West Lake
Hoffpauir, A. R	. Elder	. Estherwood
	.Licentiate	Grand Chenier
Monroe District—	. Elder	Eros R R 1
Fordham, Dennis	Elder	.Brooklyn
Fordham, Jerry	.Deacon	. Chatham, R. R. 2
	.Elder	
Inabnett, W. B	Deacon	. Lapine
Reneau. Thomas	.Elder	. Oak Grove
Taylor, J. A	Licentiate	.Oak Grove
New Orleans District-	-	
Ahrens, H. H	.Elder	.New Orleans
Evans, E. N	ElderElder	Now Orleans
McLean, J. C	Licentiate	Baton Rouge
Schroeder, R. L	.Licentiate	.New Orleans
Seegers, S. A	.Licentiate	New Orleans
Stafford, J. H	.LicentiateLicentiate	New Orleans
Ruston District—	.Licentiate	·IIammonu
Banks H. M	.Elder	Vernon
Fordham, Willis	.Licentiate	.Cotton Valley
Moss. F. P	Licentiate	Ringgold
Manley, J. M	Deacon	Binggold
Martin, 1. J Moncrief M W	Licentiate	.Gibbsland
Hamill, W. L	.Deacon	Homer
Nicholson, W. W	Deacon	Haughton
	Licentiate	.Hico
Shreveport District-	.Elder	Shrayanart
Edwards, T. S	Elder	Grand Cane
Carroway, W. R	Elder	.Logansport
Franklin, John	.Deacon	. Anacoco
Wright, R. T	Deacon	. Anacoco
Roberts G C	Deacon	. Leesville
Griffin, D. L I	Elder	
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Boazeman, Robert.	Licentiate	.Belmont
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CONFERENCES CLASSES FOR 1916.

First Year—A. L. Harper (L. D.), E. G. Wood, A. A. Phillips, F. B. Hill, R. W. Smith, B. H. Andrews, J. L. Lay, A. C. Searcy, W. R. McPherson.

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CONNECTIONAL AND CONFERENCE ASSESSMENTS FOR 1916.

District	Foreign Missions	Home and Conference Missions	Support of Bishops	Conference Claimants	Superannuate End. Fund	Printing Minutes	American Bible Society	Church Extension	Education
Alexandria	\$1436		\$258	\$1010	\$173	\$72	\$100	\$861	\$1716
Baton Rouge	1465		264	1031	176	74	101	879	1749
Lafayette	1383	1807	249	973	167	69	96	830	1653
Monroe	1178	1539	212	829	142	59	82	707	1412
New Orleans	1289	1685	232	907	156	65	90	775	1540
Ruston	1631	2130	294	1147	197	82	110	978	1947
Shreveport	1568	2049	282	1103	189	79	108	940	1873
Total	\$9950	\$13000	\$1791	\$7000	\$1200	\$500	\$687	\$5970	\$11890

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MISSIONARY SPECIALS RECEIVED FROM LOUISIANA CONFERENCE SINCE LAST SESSION, 1914.

1914.	
Dec. 21—First Church, Shrveport	.\$500.00
Dec. 28—Sunday School, Lafayette	. 50.00
Dec. 31—Epworth League, Second Church, New OrleansChina	. 7.50
Dec. 31—First Church, S. H. Meyer, Treas., Baton RougeBrazil	. 72.00
Dec. 31-First Church, S. H. Meyer, Treas., Baton RougeBrazil	. 13.00
1915.	
Jan. 14—Sunday School, Felicity Street, New OrleansCuba	. 25.00
Jan. 16—Epworth League, Algiers	
Mch. 3—First Church, Baton RougeBrazil	. 25.00
Mch. 16—Sunday School, Slidell	
Mch. 26—Sunday School, Carrollton Ave., New OrleansKorea	. 25.00
Apr. 10—Epworth League, Alexandria	
Apr. 23—Epworth League, Second Church, New OrleansChina	
May 17—Epworth League, Lake Charles	. 25.00
May 20—Epworth League, AlexandriaCongo	
June 14—Epworth League, Gueydan	. 5.00
June 26—A. M. Mayo, Lake Charles Emergency Fun	
Aug. 12-W. S. Holmes, Baton Rouge Emergency Fun	
Aug. 12—Epworth Leagues, Louisiana State	
Aug. 16—Mrs. Jas. M. Miller, MindenEmergency Fur	
Aug. 26—Mrs. Christian Keener, New OrleansEmergency Fun	d 100.00
Sept. 16—Epworth League, Lake Charles	
Sept. 22—Epworth League, Algiers	
Sept. 27—Sunday School, Zwolle	
Sept. 27—Sunday School, Parker Memorial, New OrleansChina	
Sept. 29—Epworth League, Lake Charles	
Oct. 29-W. B. Thomson, New Orleans Emergency Fur	
Nov. 8—S. S. Parker Mem., S. H. Meyer, Treas., New OrleansChina	
Nov. 8—Epworth League, S. H. Meyer, Treas., ZwolleCongo	. 8.56
Nov. 8—H. H. Womble, Winnsboro	d 5.00
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Nashville, Nov. 15, 1915.

By J. D. HAMILTON, Treasurer.

REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL, M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH.

Number of Adult Auxiliaries, 84; number of new Adult Auxiliaries, 11; number of Members of Adult Auxiliaries, 2053; number of new Members of Adult Auxiliaries, 453; number of Young People Auxiliaries, 19; number of new Young People Auxiliaries, 5; number of Members of Young People Auxiliaries, 350; number of new Members of Young People Auxiliaries, 21; number of Junior Divisions, 49; number of new Junior Divisions, 16: number of Members of Junior Division, 1277; number of new Members of Junior, 452; number of Baby Divisions, 18; number of new Baby Divisions, 2; number of Members of Baby Divisions, 151; number of new Members of Baby Divisions, 10; Life Members, 23; subscribers to Missionary Voice, 587; subscribers to Young Christian Worker, 167; number of Auxiliaries presenting Stewardship, 37; number of Scholarships, 9; number of Bible Women, 6; number of Schools supported, 2; number of Auxiliaries on Roll of Honor, 5; Amount sent Conference Treasurer, \$9495.

MRS. A. P. HOLT, Corresponding Secretary.

Crowley, La., Nov. 17, 1915.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Amounts Received Oct., 1914, to Oct., 1915.

Alexandria District	\$1305.76
Baton Rouge District	683.63
Lafayette District	908.18
New Orleans District	1484.74
Monroe District	712.57
Ruston District	1158.78

Shreveport District	
Specials	180.00

\$9410.97

Respectfully Submitted,

MRS. J. J. HOLMES, Treasurer.

CONFERENCE CALENDAR,

Presiding Elders to call a district meeting as early in the year as possible to plan for a Revival Campaign.

First three months a season of Prayer and organization for campaigns which is to begin April 1st.

Thursday before fourth Sunday in February is College Day.

Third Sunday in March is Education Day.

Asbury Centenary, March 26 to June 4.

Month of May, Bible Cause. State Epworth League Conference, June 17, at Alexandria.

CONFERENCE RULES.

STATISTICAL REPORTS.

Resolved, That we emphasize the resolution contained in the Minutes of last year in regard to filling statistical reports, and that every preacher be urged to have his statistics and moneys in the hands of the Auditing Board by the close of the first day of the Conference, under severe penalty.

Adopted in 1901.

ATTENDANCE AND STATISTICS.

Resolved, That it shall be cause for censure for any preacher to fail to attend the session of the Annual Conference, unless providentially hindered, or to fail to have his reports on file by the close of the second day.

DISTRICT CONFERENCES.

The District Conference shall be composed, first, of all preachers, traveling and local, and the recording stewards in the District; and second, of one lay delegate for every fifty members, or fraction of three-fourths that number, from each pastoral charge within the bounds of the District. The lay members shall be elected by the several Quarterly Conferences.

WIDOWS AND DECEASED PREACHERS.

Resolved, That the names and postoffice addresses of the widows of the deceased members of this Conference be added to the Conference Roll, as published in the Minutes.

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Joint Board of Finance be requested to write to each of these widows, requesting her to give a statement in regard to her temporal circumstances and those dependent upon her, for the information of said Board.

Adopted in 1896.

DATA FOR MEMOIRS.

Whereas, our Committee on Memoirs have usually found great difficulty in obtaining data at the seat of Conference for suitable memoirs of brethren who have died during the year, therefore be it

Resolved, That in the case of the death of a member of this Conference, or the wife of a member, or of a deceased member, the Presiding Elder in whose district the deceased belonged, be requisted to appoint some suitable person to secure the necessary data for a suitable memoir of said deceased for the Committee before the session of the Conference.

CHURCH EXTENSION.

Be it Resolved, That each church securing assistance from the Church Extension Board shall be required to secure the refunding of the sum donated in the event of the property being alienated from the Meihodist Episcopal Church, South, by entering and recording a mortgage for the sum donated.

Adopted at Baton Rouge in 1900.

REPORTS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That all resolutions, memorials and reports of boards and committees coming before the Conference be submitted in duplicate.

Adopted in New Iberia in 1901.

AUDITING BOARD.

Resolved, That the Auditing Board be required to read to the Conference on the second day of each session the names of all preachers whose statistical reports have not been presented by that time.

Adopted in 1910.

ASSESSMENT RULES.

Resolved, That whereas the Louisiana Annual Conference has adopted a resolution ordering that the amount aportioned to each district be distributed among the various charges in proportion to the membership and the amount paid for ministerial support during the past quadrennium, we hereby memorialize the Louisiana Annual Conference that said distribution in the several districts be based upon both the membership and the amount paid for ministerial support of the preceding year instead of the preceding quadrennium as heretofore; and that the Secretary of the Annual Conference be required to furnish data to each of the presidin elders in order that the said divisions may be made.

And that all resolutions with reference to the distribution of the assessments in

conflict with the above resolution be, and are hereby repealed.

Adopted in 1911.

MEMOIR

WALTER ALBERTUS HOFFPAUIR.

Walter Albertus Hoffpauir was born in Lafayette Parish, La., in the year 1886. He died Monday, Nov. 8, 1915, and was buried in the cemetery of the old home church—Bethel, on the Indian Bayou charge, near Rayne, La.

Walter Hoffpauir was converted in childhood, and he became a member of that church which has numbered many stanch men of his name in its membership and its

ministry.

He spent some time in Centenary College, and, as his preceptor then, the writer can speak, in highest terms, of his good deportment, close attention to study, and susceptibility to the ideals and traditions of the old school, which has left such an impress

upon many of our ministry. He also spent one year at Millsaps College.

In the year 1909, his gifts, grace and usefulness were deemed sufficient to open to him a field of larger service in the Church, and he was licensed to preach. It was the desire of Brother Hoffpauir to enter the Conference at once, but he felt it to be his duty to remain at the old home, and look after the interests of his widowed mother. After her death, he asked for admission into the Louisiana Conference, and at Crowley, December, 1913, he was admitted on trial. Bishop Candler appointed him to the Port Vincent Charge, Baton Rouge District. His report to the succeeding Conference showed a substantial gain in the membership of the charge entrusted to him.

At Shreveport, December, 1914, having passed the examination, he was advanced to the next class. Having been a local preacher six years, he was elected to deacon's orders, and was ordained by Bishop Candler. At the Shreveport Conference, he was appointed to the Covington Charge, which he was faithfully serving at the time of his

death.

Such are the main facts in the life of this faithful man of God. He said during the closing hours of his life, "My work is finished," and those who knew, and loved him best, believe that God's benediction rested upon the life of his servant. And in Brother Hoffpauir's words, we are reminded of another, who, having fought a good fight, having finished his course, and having kept the faith, wrote to Timothy of a crown of righteousness awaiting the faithful. We sorrow with his wife and little son, and unite others who were very near to him, but we sorrow not as those who have no hope.

Statistical Tables

Table No. 1 - Membership, Church Property, Insurance and Woman's Work, ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE AND PASTOR.	Local Preachers	Additions on Profes- sion of Faith	Additions by Certificate and Otherwise	Removals by Death and Otherwise	Present Total Membership	Adults Baptized	Infants Baptized	No. of Churches in Charge	No. of Church Buildings	· Value	Indebtedness
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Table No. 1---Membership, Church Property, Insurance and Woman's Work.

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT.

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No. of Parsonages Value	Indebtedness	Value of Other Church Property	Expended for Churches and Parsonages	Insurance Carried	Premiums Paid	Churches Damaged or Destroyed	Parsonages Damaged or Destroyed	Amount of Damage	Loss Collected	No. of Societies	Members	Money Collected	Total for Table 1	General Organs Taken	Conference Organs Taken
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Table No. 1--- Membership, Church Property, Insurance and Woman's Work,

LAFAYETTE DISTRICT.

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GE AND PASTOR.	Local Preachers	Additions on Profession of Faith	Additions by Certificate and Otherwise	Removals by Death and Otherwise	Present Total Membership	Adults Baptized	Infants Baptized	No. of Churches in Charge	No. of Church Buildings	Value	Indebtedness
A. A. Bernard Louis Hoffpauir	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	13 13 22 9 6 65 10 4 35 14 28 6 3 21 6 9 14 28 42 24 24 24 24 24 24 24 24 24 24 24 24	5 4 4 211 111 5 10 4 4 3 16 6 7 7	54 22 20 2 41 40 8 7 16 52 14 6 19 4 4 30 34 40 1	102 455 259 140 298 127 255	3 2 3	7 4 222 9 4 277 200 6 5 29 10 9 7 24 166 11 2308	33 14 33 11 25 33 11 11 31 11 22 41 45	3 1 1 2 2 2 1 3 1 1 1 1	2000 25000 283000 70000 4000 70000 35000 37000 50000 156000 75000 200000 25000 3000 4500 1320001 142200	400 300 150 2400 2000 628
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Table No. 1---Membership, Church Property, Insurance and Woman's Work.

LAFAYETTE DISTRICT.

No. of Parsonages	Value	Indebtedness	Value of Other Church Property	Expended for Churches and Parsonages	Insurance Carried	, Premium Paid	Churches Damaged or Destroyed	Parsonages Damaged or Destroyed	Amount of Damage	Loss Collected	No. of Societies	Members	Money Collected , A	Total, Table 1.	General Organs Taken	Conference Organs Taken
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Table No. 1--- Membership, Church Property, Insurance and Woman's Work.

LAFAYETTE DISTRICT.

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NAME OF CHARGE AND PASTOR.	Local Preachers	Additions on Profession of Faith	Additions by Certificate and Otherwise	Removals by Death and Otherwise	Present Total Membership	Adults Baptized	Infants Baptized	No. of Churches in Charge	No. of Church Buildings	Value	Indebtedness
1 Acadia Circuit. T. L. Bryson. 2 Bell City. P. O. Lowrey. 3 Crowley. C. D. Atkinson. 4 Eunice. A. A. Bernard. 5 Evangeline Mission. Louis Hoffpauir. 6 Franklin. A. F. Vaughan. 7 French Mission. M. Hebert. 8 Gueydan&Abbeville. J. D. Nesom. 9 Houma Mission. C. V. Breithaupt. 10 Indian Bayou. J. H. Hoffpauir. 11 Jeanerette. P. A. Sowell. 12 Jennings. F. J. McCoy. 13 Lafayette. H. N. Harrison. 14 Lafourche. A. D. Martin. 15 Lake Arthur. H. N. Brown. 16 Lake Charles. K. W. Dodson. 17 Morgan City. C. C. Weir. 18 New Iberia. A. S. Lutz. 19 Patterson. T. B. Clifford. 20 Rayne. C. E. Fike. 21 St. Martinville. 22 Sulphur & Vinton. A. J. Bonnett. 23 Vermillion. Q. R. Henry. Total. Total Last Year. Increase. Decrease.	2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	6 6 9 284 422 138	5 4 4 211 111 5 10 4 4 3 16 7 7 2 4 4 5 41 4 8 12 29 1 308 117	54 20 2 20 2 41 40 8 7 16 52 12 14 4 4 4 2 30 3 40 1 9 1 9 1 9 1 9 1 9 1 9 1 9 1 9 1 9 1	222 102 455 259 140 298 127 255 294 597 71 688 244 93 169 634 215 116 116 116 4865 71	2 2 1 3 2 3 4 2 1 3 2 1 3 	7 4 22 9 4 4 27 20 6 6 5 29 10 9 7 24 16 2 18 11 230 268 38	33 31 43 31 32 55 33 11 11 11 12 41 45 45	33 11 33 11 22 11 31 11 11 2 3 61 41	2000 2500 28300 7000 4000 7000 2200 5500 3600 3700 5000 1900 2500 20000 2500 3000 4500 132000 142200	150 2400
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Table No. 1---Membership, Church Property, Insurance and Woman's Work.

LAFAYETTE DISTRICT.

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Table No. 1—Membership, Church Property, Insurance and Woman's Work.

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NAME OF CHAR	GE AND PASTOR.	Local Preachers	Additions on Profes- sion of Faith	Additions by Certifi- cate and Otherwise	Removals by Death and Otherwise	Present Total Membership	Adults Baptized	Infants Baptized	No. of Churches in Charge	No. of Church Buildings	Value	Indebtedness
7 DuBach. 8 Elmore. 9 Gibsland. 10 Haynesville. 11 Haughton. 12 Homer. 13 Jonesboro. 14 Minden. 15 Plain Dealing.	W. J. Porter J. L. Cady L. I. McCain W. E. Akin J. G. Sloane W. W. Perry J. M. Brown J. G. Snelling J. O. Bennett A. G. Shankle T. J. Embree H. B. Vandenburg J. W. Faulk J. L. Lay S. S. Bogan Total Total Increase Decrease	1 1 2 1 2 1 2 	1 3 3 4 14 177 199 23 40	1 . 5 . 5 . 5 . 5 . 2 . 14 . 6 . 7 . 3 . 9 . 13 . 3 . 0 . 3 . 0 . 3 . 0 . 3 . 0 . 3 . 0 . 3 . 0 . 2 . 2 . 2		330 201 439 270 312 261 485 410 376 275 372 192 398 253 309 642 248 217 6864 6566 298	23 1 2 2 8 15 10 31 2 40 21 4 15 2 2 15 51 9 19	33 13 177 66 33 44 11 99 18 31 11 89 94 5	6 1 4 4 3 6 6 4 4 3 5 5 6 6 3 3 1 1 4 4 4 1 1 7 5 4 1 1 7 5 5 4	1 4 3 6 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 4 1 4 4 4 1 6 6 7	7400 4000 4000 2250 9000 3000 3800 4000 2500	100 500
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Table No. 1---Membership, Church Property, Insurance and Woman's Work. RUSTON DISTRICT.

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Table No. II---Epworth Leagues and Sunday Schools. ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE	No. Leagues	Members	Missions on Assessment	Missions Special	Anniversary Day	Other Objects	Total frem Leagues	No. of Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers	Enrollment in all Departments	Members in Home Department	Children on Cradle Roll
1 Alexandria 2 Bon Ami and Carson 3 Boyce 4 Bunkie 5 Campti 6 Colfax 7 Columbia 8 De Ridder 9 De Ridder Mission. 10 Glenmora 11 Harrisonburg 12 Jena 13 Le Compte 14 Longville and Elizabeth. 15 McNarry and Reaves 16 Melville 17 Merryville 18 Natchitoches 19 Oakdale 20 Oak Grove & Hineston. 21 Opelousas 22 Pineville 23 Provincal 24 Selma 25 Standard 26 Tioga Mission 27 Trout and Goodpine Total Total Total	i	35 42 18 24 169	\$47			26	27	1 2 6 3 3 4 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	27 9 15 45 20 20 21 16 4 15 11 20 12 7 16 9 15 17 24 16 19 10 10 12 8 9 7 7	75 150 325 175 200 290 487 250 160 150 150 220 205 154 129 129 129	12 12 12 20 	15 6 25 15 20 29 12 288
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7 Denham Springs	1 1 1	25 33 20		3		3	6 31	5 2 3 5 1 1 5	34 21 20 31 13 16 25	$ \begin{array}{r} 160 \\ 407 \\ 235 \\ 259 \\ \end{array} $	10	20 20 42 31 13
14 Pine Grove 15 Ponchatoula 16 Pride Circuit 17 Springfield Mission 18 St. Francisville 19 Tangipahoa Circuit 20 Wilson 21 Zachery	1	20	\$3					3 3 4 4 2 1 3	24 10 18 20 14 12 21	146 120 140 120		
Total Total Last Year Increase Decrease	13	346 330 16	3	4		\$205 209 4	\$247 213 136	52 68 16	409 488 79	4093 4845 752	216 228 12	319 342 23

Table No. 11—Epworth Leagues and Sunday Schools. ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT.

Training Classes	Wesley Bible Classes	Sunday School Pupils Received into the Church	Missions on Assessment	Missions Special	Children's Day	Sunday School Supplies	Other Objects	Total from Sunday School	Total from Sunday School and Epworth League	Less Amount Elsewhere Reported	Net Total Table No. 2	Total from Table No. 1	Total, Tables 1 and 2 .
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1	1 2	3 8 7 20 1 20 3	24	21	12 7	100 109	49 44 108	149 138 66 210 108 109 30 64	139 109 30 64	73 12	65 54 210 131 109 30 64	350 275 201 390 360 125 55	204 17 329 18 411 19 390 20 491 21 234 22 85 23 114 24 33 25
	1 23 20 3	176 237 61	\$221 123 98	\$96 46 50	\$83 63 20	\$1887 2207 320	\$744 538 206	\$3021 2977 44	\$3312 3011 301 	\$451 749	33 15 70	\$15437 17703 2266	33 25 15 26 105 27 \$18313 20231
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1	1 1 2 1 2 16	3 11 5	30 5 12			129 12 35 60 20 43 153	160 13 25 71	319 12 35 78 20 80 233	319 12 35 78 20 100 233	160 13 25 71	159 12 35 65 20 75 162	188 226 95 401 120	$\begin{array}{c} \dots \dots & 14 \\ 347 & 15 \\ 12 & 16 \\ 261 & 17 \\ 160 & 18 \\ 20 & 19 \\ 476 & 20 \\ 282 & 21 \\ \end{array}$
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Table No. II—Epworth Leagues and Sunday Schools. LAFAYETTE DISTRICT.

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NAME OF CHARGE	No. Leagues	Members	Missions on Assessment	Missions Special	Anniversary Day	Other Objects	Total from Leagues	No. of Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers	Enrollment in all Departments	Members in Home Department	Children on Cradle Roll
Particular Services of the control o	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	66 40 74 38 20 40 50 60 25 605 630	25	\$5 3 50	3 2	\$ 4 25 18 100 40 25 20 47 238 45 1 1 \$616 765	\$ 6 30 18 100 27 40 25 20 291 47 \$8 \$712 934	1	17 19 32 30 16 17 18 12 22 20 5 6 13 4 12 27 18 16 12 10 349 376	4267 3868	19 38 4 3 6 24 30 10 3	12 45 20 20 5 35 23 68 33 20 15
Increase Decrease		25	29	31		149	222	6	$\frac{27}{27}$	399	73	22
			10M	NROI	E DIS	STRIC	Т					
1 Bastrop and Collinston 2 Bonita 3 Brooklyn 4 Calhoun 5 Eros 6 Farmerville 7 Gilbert 8 Lake Providence 9 Mangham 10 Mer Rouge & Oak Ridge. 11 Monroe 12 Oak Grove 13 Rayville 14 Sicily Island 15 Tallulah and Delhi 16 Waterproof 17 West Monroe 18 Winnsboro Total Total Last Year Increase Decrease	1 2 2 2	15 20 						2 3 3 3 2 2 1 4 3 1 4 2 3 1 4 2 3 4 5 5 1 1	14 18 10 24 14 15 11 20 24 25 28 30 15 16 15 14 311 312	100 150 190 120 90 96 150 238 450 296 148 240 95 181 223 147	24 15 6 19 38 15 18 135 130 5	25 8 25 42 25 27 36 217 180 37
	11					DISTF			0.01	0.501		
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Total Last Year Increase Decrease	14	421	\$10	168[.	8 .	581	760	28	359 43	3622 380	353 95 	372 103

Table No. 11.—Epworth Leagues and Sunday Schools. LAFAYETTE DISTRICT.

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1		Sunday School Pupils Received into the Church	Missions on Assessment	Missions Special	Children's Day	Sunday School Supplies	Other Objects	Total from Sunday School	Total from Sunday School and Epworth League	Less Amount Elsewhere Reported	Net Total Table No. 2	Total from Table No. 1	
		4 9 3 2 4 4 2 2 3 7 1 6 6 4 1 1 4 6 1 1 5 1 1 3 1 2 1 1 8 2 1 1 1 3 1 1 8 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	\$66 	2 \$ 24 160	8 15	45 250 129 56 100 20 86 25 45 20 8 315 104 186 113 61 60 6 \$1708 1903	300 70 33 30 38 28 53 53 111 58 25 28 53	53 6161 2011 233 500 1244 53 45 3 173 3626 194 86 220	646 219 333 50 151 93 55 338 223 653 83 221 113	85 81 47 108 48 40	56 570 1344 62 252 500 1044 93 45 200 55 230 175 653 113 181 113 86	2100 1355 68 90 814 162 258 1075 223 737 472 514 10 170 190 \$8716 8302	271 2670 1489 130 342 864 266 351 105 233 1305 398 1390 585 695 123 256
1	4 1			136		195				423	124		290
3	11	1 2		-			\$113			\$113	\$75	\$2071	\$2821
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Table No. 11---Epworth Leagues and Sunday Schools. RUSTON DISTRICT.

	,			101		SINIC		4		,		
NAME OF CHARGE	No. Leagues	Members	Missions on Assessment	Missions Special	Anniversary Day	Other Objects	Total from Leagues	No. of Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers	Enrollment in all Departments	Members in Home Department	Children on Cradle Roll
1 Alberta and Castor 2 Arcadia 3 Athens 4 Bernice 5 Blenville 6 Cotton Valley 7 DuBach 8 Elmore 9 Gibsland 10 Haynesville 11 Haughton 12 Homer 13 Jonesboro 14 Minden 15 Plain Dealing 16 Ringgold 17 Ruston 18 Sibley 19 Simsboro 20 Winnfield Total Total Total Last Year Increase Decrease	1 2 2 2	34						31 33 53 33 53 33 53 33 53 31 21 22 13 32 53 53 53 53 53 53 53 53 53 53 54 55 55 56 56 56 56 56 56 56 56 56 56 56	15 144 166 166 311 224 35 221 35 221 36 28 222 222 221 12 48 8 9 420 446	125 175 160 298 240 300 275 150 395 230 244 192 412 726 726 305 65 191 4696 4988	25 30 70 80 286 220 66	12 45 20 32
Decrease	• • • • !			EPO		DIST		- 01	20	2021		
2 Bayou La Chute. 2 Bayou La Chute. 3 Bossier City 4 Cedar Grove 5 Coushatta 6 Grand Cane 7 Greenwood 8 Ida 9 Leesville 10 Logansport 11 Longstreet 12 Mansfield 13 Many 14 Mooringsport 15 Noble 16 Pelican 17 Pleasant Hill 18 Shreveport: 1st Church. 19 Noel Memorial 10 Ueensboro 11 Queensboro 12 South Mansfield 13 Vivian 14 Wesley 15 Zwolle 16 Total 17 Total 18 Total 19 Total 19 Total 10 Terase 11 Decrease 11 Decrease	1 1 2 1 3 3 3 1 1 2 1 1 1 2 1 1 1 1 1 1	26 10 35 35 30 60 175 60 22 505 534		\$55.		20	\$556 284 272	3 1 1 1 2 3 3 3 2 1 1 1 1 1 2 2 3 1 1 1 1	20 6 9 6 10 25 22 14 10 13 24 18 15 15 12 257 17 10 14 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18	45 128 60 145 184 336 110 212 200 403 162 202 124 160	70 208 136 72	28 4 30 13
		F	REC	APIT	ULA	ATION						
1 Alexandria 2 Baton Rouge 3 Lafayette 4 Monroe 5 New Orleans 6 Ruston 7 Shreveport Total Total Last Year. Increase Decrease	12 22 2 11 2 15 69 2 69 2 69 2	346 605 43 334 69 505 071 189	3 30 . \$85 \$ 69 16 .	88 	\$9 	1920	2360	56 52 43 43 29 53 48 324 351 	404 409 349 311 402 420 389 2684 2743	4473 4093 4267 3154 4002 4696 5585 30270 30401	145 216 365 135 448 286 208 1803 1444 359	288 319 409 217 475 227 558 2493 2123 370

Table No. 11.—Epworth Leagues and Sunday Schools. RUSTON DISTRICT.

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Training Classes	Wesley Bible Classes	Sunday School Pupils Received into the Church	Missions on Assessment	Missions Special	Children's Day	Sunday School Supplies	Other Objects	Total from Sunday School	Total from Sunday School and Epworth League	Less Amount Elsewhere Reported	Net Total Table No. 2	Total from Table No. 1	Total, Tables 1 and 2	
1 1 1 1	3 2 1		\$ 6 18 45 45 143	\$45 53 \$98	\$43 	125 140 60 95 159 52 30 60 90	\$50 	\$ 68 148 1 60 1 191 1 158 1 168 1 63 8 88 1 117 1 151 1 296 2 6 2 7 4 1 1 107 4 8 3 2 4 4 6 6 0 3 2 4 4 6 6 0 3 2 4 4 6 6 0 3 2 4 4 6 6 0 3 2 4 6 0 6 0 8	$\begin{bmatrix} 145 \\ 60 \\ 191 \\ 159 \\ 169 \\ 169 \\ 169 \\ 169 \\ 63 \\ 84 \\ 84 \\ 84 \\ 84 \\ 84 \\ 84 \\ 84 \\ 8$	\$ 56 117 33 28 5 6 412 20 \$759 820	\$ 68 175 145 60 135 159 30 60 117 151 291 93 354 50 25 329 107 25 105	\$ 196 1250 225 200 3500 	$\begin{array}{c} 1238 \\ 144 \end{array}$	2 3 4 4 5 6 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20
					SH	REVER	PORT	DIST	RICT					
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9 5 9 10 4 3 4	23 25 28 22 24 11 24	176 136 161 96 148 195 284 1196	\$221 91 215 289 332 75 130 \$1353	\$96 12 24 7 98 98 47	\$83 55 42 64 65 88 44	\$1887 2075 1708 1819 1764 1885 2867 \$14004	\$744 707 1143 996 872 1143 1871	\$3021 2940 3142 3265 3767 3290 5478 \$24903	$egin{array}{c c} 3187 \ 3612 \ 3265 \ 4213 \ 3290 \ \end{array}$	547 488 788 1032 759 1210	2640 3320 2377 3282 2531 5211	\$15437 6872 8716 4243 13607 8932 23736 \$81540	\$18313 9512 12036 6617 16889 11463 28947	2 3 4 5 6
44 38 6	157 145 12	1574	1355	661	630	14527	9461	26203		26058	23024	21555	144579	

Table No. III---Finance. ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT.

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NAME OF CHARGE	Presiding Elder Assessed	Presiding Elder Paid	Preacher in Charge Assessed	Preacher in Charge Paid	Bishops' Fund Assessed	Bishops' Fund Paid	Conference Claimants and Superannuate End. Fund—Assessed	Conference Claimants and Superannuate End. Fund—Paid	Foreign Missions Assessed	Foreign Missions Paid	Foreign Missions Special	Home and Conf. Missions—Assessed
1 Alexandria 2 Bon Ami and Carson. 3 Boyce 4 Bunkie 5 Campti 6 Colfax 7 Columbia 8 De Ridder 9 De Ridder Mission 10 Glenmora 11 Harrisonburg 12 Jena 13 LeCompte 14 Longville & Elizabeth 15 McNarry and Reaves 16 Melville 17 Merryville 18 Natchitoches 19 Oakdale 20 Oak Grove & Hunston 21 Opelousas 22 Pineville 23 Provincal 24 Selma 25 Standard 26 Tioga Mission	\$360 150 147 100 117 180 180 150 150 112 117 135 180 35 97 97 985 60 90	\$360 154 135 141 99 156 150 299 154 156 120 77 79 78 147 26 86 83 16 90 81	\$2400 900 800 900 600 750 1200 1200 1000 800 650 900 1000 275 800 600 350 705	\$2400 1026 9045 662 608 1044 1000 2581 325 1045 805 525 530 542 982 201 549 110 705 545	\$31 7 9 12 10 10 23 13 2 10 8 8 14 9 6 5 9 10 7 10 10 8	\$31 4 4 66 35 77 55 12 22 77 66 2 4 4 4 5 5 1	\$121 26 34	\$121 10 25 45 17 29 25 17 28 8 15 28 8 15 28 15 20 6 6 21 15 12 12 12 13 14 15 15 15 15 15 15 15 15 15 15 15 15 15	\$172 37 49 69 58 129 75 111 59 477 80 50 50 50 52 22 54 42 20 23	\$172 37 25 500 10 25 21 4 5 10 25 34 40 10 17 7 11 2 18 8 3		\$225 49 64 90 75 75 169 97 105 66 45 40 66 68 47 71 71 60 54 30 30
Total Total Last Year Increase Decrease	\$2443 \$207 	\$2757 2721 36	\$00 \$21050 21371 221	700 \$18807 18584 223	\$255 265 10	\$113 135 22	\$1007 928 79	\$459 458 1	35 \$1434 1291 143	\$560 528 32	17 17	\$1877 1736 141
		BAT	ON RO	UGE D	DISTR	ICT						
1 Amite City 2 Baker 3 Baton Rouge: 1st Church 4 Keener Memorial 5 Clinton Circuit 6 Covington 7 Denham Springs 8 Franklinton & Zona 9 Franklinton Circuit 10 Greensburg 11 Hammond 12 Kentwood 13 Jackson Circuit 14 Pine Grove 15 Ponchatoula 16 Pride Circuit 17 Springfield Mission 18 St. Francisville 19 Tangipahoa Circuit 20 Wilson 21 Zachary Total	\$180 120 300 120 104 66 83 182 82 85 112 150 114 83 120 61 58 97 68 131 106	\$131 120 300 75 86 72 166 74 64 83 82 96 60 60 67 106 \$1867	\$1200 800 2000 800 696 444 557 1218 550 567 751 1000 761 547 847 891 650 419 391 650 455 852 711	\$877 \$000 2000 500 572 480 1112 497 433 588 547 643 705 293 276 641 403 514 711 \$12592	\$14 14 33 11 13 6 11 12 10 17 10 13 11 14 12 9 11 5 6 11 12 8 11 12 8 11 12 13 13 14 15 15 16 17 17 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18	\$ 5 4 33 4 5 5 5 1 3 2 2 3 5 5 5 1 2 4 4 \$100 \$	\$68 68 128 48 59 27 48 98 43 76 46 50 70 51 55 51 55 51 55 51	\$20 10 128 10 15 8 10 15 5 15 13 18 29 2 15 8 11 12 24	\$83 80 182 58 70 32 58 118 53 92 55 69 60 86 64 52 58 30 37 62 67	7 182 22 20 9 10 6 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 1	4	\$108 104 238 76 90 42 766 154 68 120 79 112 84 68 68 76 40 48 81 87
Total Total Last Year Increase Decrease	2281	1996	15254	13942	321	124	1075	409		432		1953

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Table No. III---Finance. ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT.

Home and Conf. Mi sions—Paid	Church Extension Assessed	Church Extension Paid	Education Assessed	Education Pald	American Bible Society—Assessed	American Bible Society—Paid	Centenary Special Assessed	Centenary Special Paid	Ass'd for Minutes	Paid for Minutes	Superannuate End. Fund Assessed	Superannuate End. Fund Paid	Paid For Orphanage	Incidental Expenses	Objects not elsewhere Reported	Total from Table II.	Grand Total for Year
\$225 10 25 30 25 21 10 25 21 5 13 25 44 44 32 24 32 10 21 10 24 32 10 21 10 25 21 10 25 21 10 25 21 10 25 21 10 25 25 21 10 25 25 25 26 26 26 26 26 26 26 26 26 26 26 26 26	\$103 22 29 41 34 78 45 36 28 48 30 21 18 30 31 31 26 48 32 21 48 30 31 48 30 31 48 30 31 48 31 48 31 48 31 48 48 48 48 48 48 48 48 48 48 48 48 48	\$103 12 20 10 16 15 6 10 20 20 11 17 4 11 14 1	\$154 33 44 62 51 115 67 10 30 27 45 45 46 47 49 41 37 21 21 21 31	\$154 12 15 50 14 10 18 15 29 15 22 4 16 21 12	\$1223554449955143353323323323323323323323323323323323323	\$12 2 3 2 1 3 5 2 2 1 3 3 2 4 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	\$104 33 29 42 35 76 45 77 77 36 28 49 31 18 31 31 32 21 21 21 21 21 21 21 21 21 21 21 21 21	\$70 4 29 36 35 7 10 15 22 5 13 26 7 14 \$317	\$9 2 2 3 3 3 7 4 4 1 1 3 2 2 3 3 3 3 7 4 4 2 3 3 2 4 2 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3	\$9 1 2 3 2 2 2 2 3 3 2 1 1 2 1 1 2 1 1 1 1	\$21 66 87 77 166 99 17 66 100 63 44 66 75 77 75 70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70	\$5 	\$ 96 137 150 711 49 94 103 102 4 22 10 70 36 68 3 35 55 54 54 42 33 5	80 50 76 25 40 144 94 	\$208 23 1000 259 164 15 244 78 33 275 130 	\$969 151 386 535 379 226 9915 \$77 146 430 1015 1017 264 415 390 491 234 85 114 33 15 105	$\begin{array}{c} 589 11 \\ 2149 12 \\ 2208 13 \\ 886 14 \\ 1629 15 \\ 990 16 \\ 1741 17 \\ 1143 18 \\ 1722 19 \\ 722 20 \\ 1385 21 \\ 955 22 \\ 223 23 \\ 1357 24 \\ 904 25 \\ 26 26 \\ 990 27 \\ \end{array}$
658	828	309	1261	489	106	51	879	317	66	40	176	16	1290	1088	3562 1255	1924	3817
				1			BATC	N RC	UGE	DIS	TRIC	T					
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\$462 525	37 40	3220 300	$ \begin{array}{r} 55 \\ 60 \end{array} $ $ \begin{array}{r} 1308 \\ 1301 \end{array} $		3 97 1 123	\$45 52 52	\$883 \$883	\$463 \$463	\$74 68	\$36 41	: : : :	\$35 35	$ \begin{array}{c c} 25 \\ 71 \\ \hline \$ 831 \\ 1121 \\ \hline 290 \\ \end{array} $	\$1477 1908 431	\$2219 2995	476 282 \$ 9512 13757	$\begin{array}{c c} 1374 20 \\ 1233 21 \end{array}$

Table No. III---Finance LAFAYETTE DISTRICT.

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NAME OF CHARGE	Presiding Elder Assessed	Presiding Elder Paid	Preacher in Charge Assessed	Preacher in Charge Paid	Bishops' Fund Assessed	Bishops' Fund Paid	Conference Claimants and Superannuate End. Fund—Assessed		Foreign Missions Assessed	Foreign Missions Paid	Foreign Missions Special	Home and Conf. Missions—Assessed
1 Acadia Circuit	\$97	\$97	\$650			\$8	\$44	\$23	\$62	\$34		\$82
2 Bell City 3 Crowley 4 Eunice 5 Evangeline Mission 6 Franklin 7 French Mission 8 Gueydan & Abbeville 9 Houma Mission	180 105 75 150 45 135	50 180 91 47 150 31 123	1200 700 500 1000 305	608 356 1000 209	21 10 8 15 4	$\begin{bmatrix} 21\\7\\1\\3\\\cdots \end{bmatrix}$	21 88 44 33 60 17 54 24	20 25	31 118 63 47 85 25 76	$\begin{bmatrix} & 12 & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & $		40 154 82 61 111 33 100 46
10 Indian Bayou 11 Jeanerette 12 Jennings 13 Lafayette 14 Lafourche	75 90 75 150	49 48 52 150	600 500 1000	324 369 1000 43	18 7 7 16 1	5 16	68 27 25 61	8 5 2 61	96 39 36 86 4	7 2 86		126 51 47 112 6
15 Lake Arthur 16 Lake Charles 17 Morgan City 18 New Iberia 19 Patterson 20 Rayne	240 150 180 75	113 240 150 165 75 105	500	1600 1000 1100 500	7 8	16 4 7 1 4	113 59 62 27 33	25 95 21 33 7 20	63 161 83 88 39 47	45 125 45 88 9 25	3	82 210 109 113 51 61
21 St. Martinville 22 Sulphur and Vinton 23 Vermillion 24 Washington & Chicot Total	90 45 45		600 300 300 300 \$14855	94 565 \$13568	2 8 7 2 \$248	\$101	\$978	20	8 46 39 7 \$1383	24 \$650	\$ 8	11 61 50 9 \$1814
Total Last Year Increase	2357	2369	15905	13954	254	114	901.	557	1213 170	582 68	100	1644
Decrease	130	69	1050	386	6			108			92	170
		N	ONRO	E DIS	TRICT	Г						
1 Bastrop & Collinston 2 Bonita 3 Brooklyn 4 Calhoun 5 Eros 6 Farmerville 7 Gilbert 8 Lake Providence 9 Mangham 10 Mer Rouge & Oak Ridge. 11 Monroe 12 Oak Grove 13 Rayville 14 Sicily Island 15 Tallulah and Delhi 16 Waterproof 17 West Monroe 18 Winnsboro Total Total Last Year. Increase Decrease	120 90 142 \$2354 2391	\$135 57 21 74 92 92 93 150 104 180 225 95 123 75 90 115 9	\$1000 600 420 619 775 522 850 1000 2000 700 1000 800 600 950 \$15586 16173	\$900 400 165 495 643 414 717 1001 7000 1202 1500 638 826 508 602 776 600 850 \$12937 12618 319	\$11 8 6 13 13 10 10 29 10 14 29 11 13 11 11 15 \$232 255	\$4 1 22 13 35 55 44 124 22 52 99 88 85 5 \$102 88 14 	\$44 31 25 52 50 25 41 47 36 113 47 50 43 39 31 825 113 825 113		1246	5 -2 3 13 15 65 50 65 134 7 11	\$44 100 56	\$81 57 46 97 94 47 77 88 68 101 206 87 93 81 71 73 112 \$1536 1684
1 Bogalusa 2 Donaldsonville & Vach. 3 McDonoghville 4 New Orleans: Algiers. 5 Carrollton Avenue 6 Epworth 7 Felicity 8 First Church 9 Louisiana Avenue 10 Mary Werlein 11 Parker Memorial 12 Rayne Memorial 13 Second Church 14 St. Marks Hall 15 Plaquemine & New Rds. 16 Slidell 17 St. Tammany Circuit. 18 Orange Grove	\$204 130 122 170 255 119 170 340 102 30 204 425 130 	\$165 120 122 170 255 88 170 319 108 23 204 425 87 75 87	\$1200 755 720 1000 1500 700 1000 2000 600 180 1200 2500 769 600 600 500 282	\$1000 708 720 1000 1500 520 1000 1878 663 77 1200 2500 565 440 512 355 282	\$20 6 9 17 19 10 16 31 13 2 18 37 11 15 8 8	\$2 19 4 16 31 10 18 37	\$80 28 32 64 73 40 59 113 51 10 666 136 47 4 31 37 32	\$50 8 15 40 73 19 59 113 45 10 66 40 4 4 4 22	91 103 56 84 162 72 14 94 192 67 6 43 52 48	102 . 25 . 34 . 162 . 54 . 14 . 94 . 192 . 67	\$15 	\$147 48 65 119 135 74 109 210 94 19 123 251 88 57 68 63
Total Total Last Year Increase Pecrease	2612 118	\$2520 2315 205	15116 15060 56	\$14920 14265 655	\$232 239 7	\$148 183 	\$907 851	\$707 \$ 704		9351	58 33.	\$1685 1508

Table No. III--Finance.

							LAFA	YET	TE D	IST	RICT							
Home and Conf. Mis- slons—Paid	Church Extension Assessed	Church Extension Paid	Education Assessed	Education	American Bible Society—Assessed	America	Centenary Special Assessed	Centenary Special	Ass'd for Minutes	Paid for Minutes		Superannuate End. Fund Paid		Incidental Expenses	Objects not elsewhere Reported	Total from Table 1I.	Grand Total for Year	11
\$44 4 154 12 4 20 10 112 165 33 13 13 13 13 15	31817888115144118422238860 51515144118422238860 524287	\$18 3 71 15 31 2 4 6 52 73 14 23 35	\$585566426581165821744658114447355421	\$32 105 13 3 15 	\$428436625336337144157333	\$4 83 3 1	\$88 19 71 388 51 15 47 21 523 38 97 49 23 23 23	\$38 2 71 11 3 25 52 4 100 14 54	\$ 22632442425222441388445222	\$31 63 11 11 2 1 63 35 2	\$8 44 86 10 39 44 12 54 10 18 19 91 11 15 66	\$6 1 14 10 	\$377 13 100 13 150 61 150 34 150 245 245 140 50	\$\\$5\$\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\	\$ 13 114 40 210 100 103 	\$ 60 271 2670 1489 130 342 864 351 105 233 1305 1398 1390 5855 695 123 230	2438	2 3 4 4 5 6 6 7 8 9 9 1 1 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
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